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Statutes ma:

de in the Parliamēt, begon
at Westmynster the.iiii. day of No-
uembre, in y first yere of the Reigne
of our most dread souereygne lorde
EDVVARD the. V. l. By the
grace of God kynge of Englande
Fraunce, & Irelande, Defendoz
of the faith & of the Churche
of England, & also of Ire-
land, in earth the supre-
me heade: and from
thens continued
to the. xxiii.

Daye of
De-
cember,
then nexte
ensupng, that
is to say, in y first
Session of the same
Parliamēt, as foloweth.
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20 Cum gratia & priuilegio ad
imprimendum solum.

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He Kynges mooste excellent
Majestie, myndyng the gouernaunce
and ordre of his mooste louyng subiectes,
to bee in mooste petyce vnitie and
concorde in all thynges, & in especiall,
in the true faith and religion of God,
and wishyng thesame to bee brought
to passe with all clemencie and mercye
on his hyghnes parte towards them,
as his mooste princely serenitie & Ma-
iestie hath already declared by euident
profe, to thynke that his mooste louyng
subiectes, prouoked by clemencie and

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§ 1. Col. II,

condemnation and iudgement to hymself, making no difference of the
 Lordes body. The institution of whiche Sacrament, beyng ordeined
 by Christ, as is beforesaid, and thesaid woordes spoken of it here be-
 fore rehearsed, beyng of eternall, infallible, and vndoubted truth: yet the
 said Sacrament (all this notwithstanding) hath been of late, merue-
 lously abused by suche manner of me before rehearsed, who of wickednes,
 or els of ignorance, and want of learning, for certain abuses hereto-
 fore committed of some, in misusing therof, haue condemned in their
 hartes and speche, the whole thing, and contemptuously depzaured, de-
 spised, or reuiled thesame moste holy and blessed Sacrament, and not
 onely disputed and reasoned vnrerrently and vngodly, of that moste
 high mistery, but also in their sermons, preachynges, readynges, lectu-
 res, communicacions, argumentes, talkes, rimes, songes, playes, or ge-
 stes, name or call it, by suche vile and vnseemly woordes, as christians
 eares do abhorre to heare rehearsed: For reformation wherof, be it ena-
 cted by the kynges highnes, with thassent of the Lordes spirituall and
 tempozall, and of the commons in thys present parliament assembled,
 and by the aucthoritie of the same, that whatsoeuer person or persones,
 from, and after the first daie of May next comyng, shall depzaue, de-
 spise, or contempne thesaid moste blessed Sacrament, in contempt ther-
 of, by any contemptuous woordes, or by any woordes of depzaunge,
 despising or reuiling: or what persone or persones, shall aduisedly, in
 any other wise contempne, despise or reuile thesaid moste blessed Sa-
 crament, contrary to theeffectes and declaration abouesaid, that then he,
 or they shall suffer imprisonment of his, or their bodie, and make fine
 and ransome, at the kynges will and pleasure.

And for full and effectuell execution of the pmisses before deuised,
 ordeined and enacted by this act: be it furthemoze enacted by the au-
 thoritie of this present parliament, that immediatly after the first daie
 of May next comyng, the Iustices of peace, or thre of them at the least,
 wherof one of them to be of the Quorum, in every shire of this realme,
 and Wales, and all other places, within the kynges dominions, shall
 haue full power and aucthoritie by vertue of thys acte, aswell to take
 informacion and accusacion by the othes and depositions, of two ha-
 ble, honest and lefull persones at the least, and after such accusacion or
 informacion so had, to inquire by the othes of twelue men in every their
 foure quarter Sessions perely to bee holden, of all and synguler suche
 accusacions or informacions, to bee had, or made of any of the offences
 abouesaid, to be committed or doen, after thesaid first daie of May,
 within the limites of their comission: and that vpon every suche accu-
 sacion and informacion, the offender and offenders shalbe inquired of,
 and indicted, before thesaid Iustices of peace, or thre of them at the
 least, as is aforesaid, of thesaid contemptes & offences, by the verdicts
 of twelue honeste and indifferent men, if the matter of thesaid accusa-
 cion and

cion and informacion shall seme to thesaied Jury, good and true.

And it is also further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that the saied Justices of peace, or thre of them at the least, as is aforesaid, before whom any suche presentment, informacion, and accusation shalbe made or taken, as is aforesaid, shall examine the accusors, what other witnes were by, and present, at the tyme of doyng and committynge of the offence: wherof the informacion, accusation, and presentment shalbe made, and howe many other then the accusors, haue knowledge therof: and shall haue power and auctoritie by their discretions, to bynde by recognisaunce to be taken before them, aswel thesaied accusors, as all such other persones, whom thesame accusors shall declare to haue knowledge of the offences, by them presented and informed, euery of them in. v. l. to the kynge, to appere before thesaied Justices of peace, before whome, the offendor or offendors, shalbe tried at the daye of triall and deliuerance of suche offendors.

And it is further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that thesaied Justices of peace, or thre of them at the least, as is aforesaid, by vertue of this acte, shall haue full power and auctoritie, to make processe against euery persone and persones so indicted, by two Capias and an exigent, and by Capias urlagat, aswell within the limites of their commission, as into all other shires and places of this realme, wales and other the kynges dominions, aswell within the libertties as without, and thesame processe to be good and effectuell in the lawe, to all intetes, constructions and purposes: And vpon the apparaunce of any of thosendos, shall haue full power and auctoritie, by vertue of this acte, and the comission of peace, to determine the contemptes and offences aforesaid, accordyng to the lawes of this realme, & effectes of this acte: and that thesaied Justices of peace, or thre of them at the least, as is aforesaid, shall haue full power and auctoritie, to let any suche persons or persones so indicted, vpon sufficient suerties by their discretions, to bayll for their apparaunce, to bee tried accordyng to the tenor, forme and effecte of this acte.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted, that thesaied Justices of peace, or thre of them at the least, at their quarter Sessions, where any offendor or offendors shalbee, or stande indicted of any of the contemptes or offences abovesaid, shal direct and award one writt in the kynges name, to the Bishop of the diocesse, wherein thesaied offence or offences are supposed to be committed or doen: willing and requirynge thesaied Bishoppe, to bee in his awne persone, or by his Chauncelour, or other his sufficient deputie learned, at the quarter Sessions in thesaied countie to be holden, when, and where, thesaied offendor shalbe arraigned and tried, appoyntynge to them in thesaied writt, the daye and place of thesaied arraignment, whiche writte shalbe of this forme: Rex, Ep̄o. L. salutem. Præcipimus tibi, quod tu, Cancellarius tuus, vel alius deputatus

nam sufficient. erodius, suis cum iusticiarijs nostris ad pacem, in comū nostro, B. conservand. assignat: apud. D. tali die, ad sessionem nostrā, ad tunc & ibi tenend. ad dand. consilium & adiutament. eiusdem iusticiarijs nostris ad pacem, super arranament. & deliberationem offendent. contra formā statuti, concernent. sacrosanctum sacramentum altaris.

Shoulde alwaie, and be it enacted by the auctoritie abovesayd, that no persone or persones, shalbe indicted of anie the contemptes or offences abovesaid, but onely of suche contemptes or offences, as shalbe doen, or perpetrated, within thye monethes, next after thesaiyd offences, or offence, so committed or doen.

And bee it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd, that in all trialles for any suche offendours, before thesaiyd Justices, as is aforesaid, the persone or persones, being coplayned on, and arraigned, shalbe admitted to purge and trie, his, or their innocencie, by asmany, or mo witnesses in numbze, and of as good honestie and credence, as the witnesses be, whiche depose against hym, or them, or any of them.

And soasmuch as it is more agreeable, bothe to the firste institution of thesaiyd Sacrament of the mooste precious body and blood of oure sauoure Iesus Christe, and also more conformable to the common vse and practise, bothe of the Apostles, and of the primatiue Church, by the space of fye hundredeth yeaeres and moze, after Christes Ascencion, that thesaiyd blessed Sacramēt should be ministered to all christian people, vnder bothe the kyndes of breade and wyne, then vnder the forme of breade onely: and also it is more agreeable, to the firste institution of Christe, and to the vslage of the Apostles, and the primatiue Church, that the people beyng present, should receiue thesame with the priest, then that the priest shoulde receiue it alone: Therfore, be it enacted by our soueraigne Lord the kyng, with the consent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present Parliamēt assembled, and by the auctoritie of thesame, that thesaiyd mooste blessed Sacrament, be hereafter commonly deliuered and ministered vnto the people, within this Church of Englande and Irelande, and othe the kynges dominiōs, vnder bothe the kyndes, that is to saie, of bread and wyne, excepte necessitie otherwise require: And also, that the priest, which shal minister thesame, shal, at the least one daye before, exhort all persones, whiche shalbe present, likewise to resorte, and prepare themselves, to receiue thesame. And when the daye prefixed cometh, after a Godly exhortacion by the minister made (wherin shalbe further expressed the benefite and comfort promised to them, whiche worthely receiue thesaiyd holy Sacrament: and daunger and indignacion of God, thrextred to them, whiche shal presume, to receiue thesame vniworthely, to the ende that every man maye crye and examyne his owne conscience, before he shal receiue thesame) thesaiyd minister shal not without a lawfull cause, deny thesame to any persone, that wyl deuoutly and humbly desire it.

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any lawe, statute, ordinaunce or custome, contrary therunto, in any wyse notwithstanding: not condemning hereby, the usage of any Church out of the kynges maiesties dominions.

**An acte for the election of Bishoppes, and
what Deales and stile they, and other spirituall pre-
lates, exercising Jurisdiction ecclesiasticall, shall use.**

Cap. ii.



EOrasmuche as the Elections of Churchbishoppes and Bishoppes, by the Deanes and Chapters, within the kynges maiesties realmes of Englands and Irelande, at this presente tyme, be aswell to the longe delaye, as to the grente costes and charges of suche persons, as the kynges Maiestie geueth any Archbishoppiche or bishoppiche vnto: And where as the saide elections, be in verie dede, no elections, but onely by a wytte of Conge desier, haue coloures, shadowes, or pretenses of elections, serupng neuertheles to no purpose, and seming also derogatorie & prejudiciall to the kynges prerogative royall, to whome onelie apperteyneth the collacion and gifte of all Archbishoppiches, and Bishoppiches, and Suffragayn bishoppes, within his highnes saide Realmes of Englands, and Irelande, Wales, & other his Dominions and Marches: For a due reformation herof, Be it therfore enacted by the kynges highnes, with the assente of the lordes spirituall and temporall, & the comons in this presente parlamente assembled, and by authoritie of thesame, that from hencefurthe, no suche Conge desier be graunted, nor election of anye Archbishope or Bishope, by the Deane and chapter made: but that the kyngemaye, by his letters patentes at all tymes, when any Archbishoppiche, or Bishoppiche be voyde, conferte the same to anye persone, whome the kyngemay shall thynke mete. The whiche collacion so by the kynges letters patentes made, and deliuered to the person, to whom the kyngemay shall confer the same Archbishoppiche or Bishoppiche, or to hys sufficient proctour and attorneye, shal stande to all ententes, constructions, and purposes, to asmuch, and the same effecte, as though the Conge desier had bene geuen, the election duely made, & thesame confirmed: And that, vpon that the saide person, to whom, thesaide Archbishoppiche, Bishoppiche, or Suffraganhippe is so conferred, collated, or geuen, maye be consecrated, and sue his liuerie or ower le mayne, and doo other thynges, aswell, as if all the sayde Ceremonies and elections had bene done and made.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by authoritie aforesaide, That everye suche person, to whom, any collacion or gifte of any Archbishoppiche, Bishoppiche, or Suffraganhippe, shalbe geue or collated, by the kyngemay, hys heires, or successors, shal paye, doo, and yeilde to all and everye

every person, all such fees, interestes, and duties, as of olde tyme have bene accustomed to be done: any thyng in this Acte, or in anye other, to the contrary hercof in any wyse, notwithstandinge.

And wher as the Archebischoppes and Bischoppes, and other spirituall persons in this Realme, do vse to make and sende out their Sommons, Citations, and other processe in theire owne names, and in suche fourme and maner, as was vsed in the tyme, of the vsurped power of the Bischoppe of Rome, contrarie to the fourme and order of the Sommons and processe of the common lawe, vsed in this Realme: Sepunge that all aucthoritie of iurisdiction spirituall and temporal, is deriued and deducted from the kynges Maiestie, as supreme head of theis Churches and Realmes of Englande and Irelande, & so iustlye acknowledged by the Clergie of the saide Realmes: And that all courtes Ecclesiasticall, within the sayde twoo Realmes, be kepte by no other power, or aucthoritie, either foreyne, or within the realme, but by the aucthoritie of his moste excellent Maiestie: Be it therfore further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaide, that all Sommons, and Citations, or other processe ecclesiasticall, in all suites and causes of instance, betwixte partie & partie, in all causes of correctio, in all causes of bastardye, or bigamie, or enquire, de iure patronatus, probates of testaments, and commissions of administration, of persons deceased, and all acquittances, of, & vpon accomptes, made by the exequutors, administratours, or collectours of gooddes, of anye deade person, be, from the firste daye of Iulye nexte folowynge, made in the name, and with the stile of the kyng, as it is in writtes original, or iudiciall at the comon lawe: And that the reste thereof, be in the name of the Archebischoppe, or Bischoppe, or other, hauynge ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, who hath the comission and graunte of the aucthoritie ecclesiasticall ymmediatlie from the kynges highnes, and that his commissarie, officiall, or substitute exercisynge iurisdiction vnder him, shall putte his name in the citation, or processe after the reste.

Furthermoze, be it enacted by aucthoritie aforesaide, that all maner of person or persons, who hath the exercise of ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, shall haue, from the firste daie of Iulye before expressed, in theire seales of office, the kynges highnes armes, decentely sette with the certayne carettes vnder the armes, for the knowledge of the diocesse: And shall vse no other seale of iurisdiction, but wherein his maiesties armes be engrauen, vpon payne, that if any person shall vse ecclesiasticall iurisdiction (after the daie before expressed) in this realme of Englande, Wales, and other his Dominions or territories, and not sende, or make out the citation or processe in the kynges name, or vse anye seale of iurisdiction, other then before limited: that euerye suche offendour shall incurre, and runne in the kynges maiesties displeasure, and indignation, and suffer imprisonment at his highnes wille and pleasure.

Provided allwayes, that no moze, nor other fees, be taken, or payed for the

for the Seale and wytyng of anye citations, or other procelle, then was heretofore accustomed.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaide, that the Archebischoppe of Canturbury, for the tyme beinge, shal use his awne seale, and in his awne name, in all faculties & dispensations, accordyng to the tenor of an Acte thereof made: and that the sayde Archebischoppes and Bischoppes, shal make, admitte, order, & refourme, their Chancellours, Officialles, Commissaries, Advocates, Proctours, and other their officers, ministers, & substitutes, and commissiōs to Suffragane Bischoppes in their awne names, vnder their awne seales, in suche manner & fourme, as they haue heretofore used: & shal certifye to the court of Centes, their certificates vnder their awne names, & seales, as heretofore they haue used, & accordyng to the statute in that case made and provided: and likewise shal make collations, presentations, giftes, institutions, and inductions of benefices, letters of orders, or dimissories, vnder their awne names & seales, as they haue heretofore accustomed: Any thyng in this acte conteyned, to the contrarie notwithstandinge.

Provided alwayes, & be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaide, that all procelle hereafter to be made, or awarded by anye ecclesiasticall person, or persons, for the triall of any plea, or pleas, or matter depending, or that hereafter shal depende, in any of the kynges courtes of recorde at the comon law, and limited by the lawes & customes of this realme, to the spirituall courtes, to trye the same: that the certificat of the same, after the triall thereof, shalbe made in the kynges name, for the tyme beinge, and with the stile of the same kyng, and vnder the seale of the Bischoppe graued with the kynges armes, with the name of the Bischoppe, or spirituall officer, being to the reste of the same procelle and certificat, and to euerye of them.

**An acte for the punishinge of vagabondes,
and for the relief of the poore and impotent persons.**

Cap. iiii.



Or asmuche, as ydlenes & vagabondrye, is the mother and roote of all thestes, robberies, and all euill actes, & other mischieses, and the multitude of people geuen thereto, hath allwayes bene, here wpythin this realme, verie greate, and more in numbrye, (as it may appere) then in other regiōs, to the greate impoverishment of the Realme, and daungler of the kynges hyghnes Subiectes: The whyche ydlenes and vagabondrye, all the kynges hyghnes noble progenitours, kynges of this realme, and this hyghe Court of Parliament, hathe often and wyth greate trauayle, gone aboute, and assayed with godlye actes and statutes, to reppesse: Yet vntyll this our tyme, it hathe not had that successe,

success, which hath bene wished, but partelie by foolyshe ppytie, & merite of them, whiche shoulde haue sene the sayde godlie lawes executed partelie by the peruerse nature, and longe accustomed pblenes of the persones, geuen to loytringe, the sayde godlye statutes, hitherto hath had smal effecte, and ydle & vagabonde persones, beinge vnprofitable members, or rather enemies of the comon wealthe, hath bene suffered to remaine and increase, and yet so do: Whom, yf they should be punished by death, whippingge, imprisonment, or wyth other corporall payne, it were not wythout theyr desertes, for the example of others, and to the benefite of the comon wealthe. Yet yf they could be brought to be made profitable, and do seruaice, it were muche to be wished and desired: Be it therfore enacted by the kynges hyghnes, wyth the consente of the Lordes spirituall and temporal, and the commons in this presente Parliament assembled, & by auctorite of the same, sythe that all statutes, and actes of parliamente, heretofore made for the punishment of vagabondes and sturdye beggers, and all articles compysed in the same, shalbe from hensfurthe repealed, voyde and of none effecte.

Secondlye, that whosoever, after the fyrste daye of Aprill nexte folowynge, Man or woman, beyng not lame, impotent or so aged, or diseased with syckenes, that he or she cannot worke, not hauing landes or Tenementes, fees, Annuites, or anye other yearely reuenewes or proffytes, whercon they may finde sufficientlye theyr lyuynge, shall, eyther lyke a seruaunge man wantinge a Maister, or lyke a begger, or after anye other suche sorte, be luyng in any house, or houses, or loytringe, or ydlelye wander by the hyghe wayes syde, or in streetes, in Cyties, Townes, or villages, not applyng theun selfe to some honeste, and allowed Arte, Science, Seruaice, or labor, & so do continue by the space of thre dayes or more together, & not offer them selves to labor with any that wyl take them, accordynge to theyr facultie: and yf no man other wyse wyl take them, doo not offer them selves to worke for meate & drinke, or after they be so taken to worke for the space agreed betwixte them and theyr Masters, do leaue theyr worke, out of conueniente tyme, or runne away: that then every such person, shalbe taken for a vagabonde, and that it shalbe lawfull to euerye suche Maister, offeringe suche ydle person, seruaice, and labor, and that beyng by hym refused, or who hath agreed wyth suche ydle person, and from whome, wythin the space agreed of Seruaice, the saide loyterer hath runne away, or departed before the ende of the covenante betwene them, & to any other person espyng the same, to bring or cause to be brought, the sayde person, so lyuynge ydlelye and loytringe, to two of the nexte iustices of the peace, there ressaunte or abiding, who hearyng the profe of the ydle lyuynge of the sayde person, by the sayde space lyuynge ydlelye, as is aforesayde, approued to them by two honest wytnesses, or confession of the partie, shal immediately cause the saide loyterer to be marked, with an boate yron in the breste, the marke

of. v. and aduidge the sayde person lyving so ydelpe to such p[re]santor, to be his slaue: to haue and to holde the sayde slaue to hym, his Execu-
tours, or assignes, for the space of two yeres, then nexte followinge, and
to order the sayde slaue, as followeth: that is to saye, to take such person
aduidge a slaue, wyth hym, and onely geuynge the sayde slaue, breade
and water, or small drinke, and such refuse of meate, as he shall thycke
mete, cause the sayde slaue to worke, by beating, cheyning, or other wyse,
in such worke & labor, (how vyle so euer it be) as he shall put hym vnto.
And yf anye maner of slaue, either for loyterynge, or for the cause before
reherced, so aduidge, shall wythin the space of the sayde two yeres here
appoynted, runne awaye, departe, or absente hym from hys sayde Ma-
ster by the space of fourtene dayes together, wythoute licence: Yt shall
not onely be lesull to his sayde Master, to pursue, & fetch hym agayne,
by vertue of thys Acte, but also to punyssh the suche faulte, by cheynes, or
beatinge, as is aforesayde: And agaynst the deteigne, yf any man doo
willingely deteigne hym, knowynge hym to be a slaue, as is aforesayde,
to haue an Action of trespasse, and recouer thereby in damages. x. li. be-
sydes the costes and charges of the sute for so deteignynge his sayde sla-
ue. And further, euery suche Master, shewing and prouynge by two suf-
ficient wytnesses, the sayde offence or faulte of his runnyng awaye, be-
fore two iustices of peace, of the same countie, whereof the one to be of the
Quorum, the same iustices shall cause such slaue or loyterer, to be mar-
ked on the foreheade, or the baile of the cheke, with an hoate yron, with
the signe of an. S. that he may be knowe for a loyterer & a runne awaye,
and shall aduidge the loyterer, and rúne away, to be the sayde Masters
slaue for euer. And yf such slaue shall the seconde tyme runne awaye, or
absente hym selfe, Yf the sayde Master shall approue the same seconde
runnyng awaye, wth two sufficient wytnesses, before the iustice of pea-
ce in theyr generall and quarter Sessions: then euerye suche faulte and
runnyng awaye, to be aduidge felonye, and suche loyterer and runne
away, to be taken as a felon, and therof beynge lawfully indicted, and
attainted, or otherwyse condempned, to suffer peynes of deathe, as other
felons ought to doo.

Whowded also, and be it enacted by auctoritie aforesayde, that no
Clerke conuicte, shall hereafter make his purgation, & vpon suche pur-
gation be deliuered, and sette at large, otherwyse then is in thys Sta-
tute hereafter expressed.

And be it further enacted by auctoritie aforesayde, that euery clerke
conuicte, or hereafter to be conuicte, whych shoulde, by the order of the
lawe, enioye the benefite of theyr purgation, shal, and maye from hence-
furthe finde anye man (yf they can) who shalbe bounde, with two suf-
ficiente iurates, to the ordinarie, in the summe of. xx. li. to the kynges
highnes vnto, to retayne the sayde conuicte, as his slaue, and to kepe the
sayde person so conuicte, for the space of one yere then nexte folowynge,
that he

that he shal not go abroad, and at large: & then the sayd conuicte shalbe deliuered to the sayde person, so takinge the same, and being bounde, as aforesayde, to bee hys slave, for one whole yere, then nexte followynge; by vertue of thys acte, in all suche manner and sortme, and to all suche intents and purposes, & with all such Order, Lawes, Conditions, and penalties, for runnyng a way, or other, as is aforesayde of a vagabonde taken lofteringe and made a slave, (burninge in the breste onely excepte) and the ordinarie by the deliuerie of the saide conuicte, to such person being bounde, as aforesayde, to be of the keepinge of the sayde conuicte, clerelie discharged and exonerated by vertue of thys acte.

And yf so be, that the sayde clerke so conuicte, cannot fynde any man, to be bounde, as is aforesayde, to whome he maye be adiudged a slave, in the space of one yere: Then at any tyme, after the ende of one yere, after his conuiction, it shalbe lawfull for the sayde clerke conuicte, to make his purgation, as he might before this estatute, any thyng in this present acte to the contrary notwithstandinge.

And where as clerkes conuicted or attaynted, by the order of the lawes of thys Realme, cannot make theyr purgation, and shoulde perpetually, by the same, remayne in prison: Be it neuertheles enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayde, that yf there be any manner of person, who wyl at any tyme demaunde the same clerke conuicted or attaynted, & be bound to the ordinarie with two sufficiente sureties, as is aboue writte, to kepe the same as hys slave, by the space of fyue yeres then nexte followynge, that then the same shalbe adiudged hys slave, for like space, with all such orders, lawes, and penalties, for runnyng a way, and other orders, as is before expresse of a vagabonde, adiudged to anye man, for a slave (the burninge in the breste onely excepte) and upon the adiudgement deliuered to suche demaundaunte, the ordinarie from thensfurthe, of the keepinge of suche clerke conuicted or attaynted, clerelie exonerated and discharged by vertue of this acte.

And forasmuch, as diuers women and men, goeth on begginge wayfaringe, of the which, some be impotent & lame, and some habile enough to labor, whiche doo carpe chyldezen aboute with them, some .iiii. or .v. yeres of age, or yonger, or elder, which brought vp in ydlenes, myght be so rooted in it, that hardely they may be brought after, to good thurst and labor, or yf any chylde, aboute the age of fyue yeres, and vnder the age of fourtene yeres, goo ydelye wanderinge aboute as a vagabonde: Be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayde, that yf anye manner of person, wyl take anye suche chylde, be it male or female, of, & from anye suche bigger, beinge the mother thereof, nourice, or keper, whether they be willinge, or not, or without anye suche nourice, mother, or keper, by him selfe wandringe, & bringe the sayde chylde so taken awaye, before one of the constables of the parische, and two other honest & discrete neighbours, justices, and before anye iustice of peace, there testamte and abydyng, and

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promysse to bypynge the same chylde by in some honest labor, or occupa-
tion, tyll he, or she come to the age of. xx. yeres the womā chylde, or. xxiii.
the man chylde: That then, and immediatly thesaiyd iustice of peace and
constable, shall adiudge, by vertue of thys acte, thesaiyd chylde vnto the
ages before specified, to be seruauntes or apprenticesse to the sayde per-
sons, so takynge and promysynge, to be vsed and ordered in all poyntes,
accordynge as the laue and custome of thys Realme, is of Seruauntes
and apprentices, to what labor, occupation, or seruice so euer, the sayde
Master shal appoynte him, or her, durynge thesaiyd tyme. And if it shal
fortune suche chylde so adiudged, to runne awaye at anye tyme, once, or
moore tymes, fro his, or her master, or maistres: that then it shalbe lawfull
for euery suche Master, to take thesaiyd chylde agayne, and to kepe and
punishe thesaiyd chylde, in cheynes, or otherwyle, & vse him, or her, as his
slauē, in all poyntes, for þ tyme before reherfed of the age of such chylde,
that is to saye, tyll twentie the womā chylde, & the man chylde. xxiii.

Wherofre alwayes, that any Master, either of the men, or of the wo-
men, so adiudged slaues, or of the chylde adiudged apprentices or ser-
uauntes, maye lette, set furthe, sell, bequeathe, or geue the seruice & labor
of suche slaues or seruauntes, so adiudged, as is aforesayde, to any per-
son, or persones, to whom so euer he wyl, vpon suche condition, and for
suche tyme of yeres, as thesaiyd persons be adiudged to him, for slaues,
seruauntes, or apprentices, after suche lyke sozte and maner, as he may
do of any other his moueable gooddes or cattalles: and they for thesaiyd
space and tyme, to be bounde to all poyntes and constructions, to suche
lessee, donee, vendee, or assignee, as they were to their fyrst apprchenders
and Masters, by vertue of this Statute.

Wherofre alwayes, and be it enacted by aucthoritie aforesayd, that if
any suche slaue, or slaues, or chylde, so adiudged, shal at any tyme after
such adiudgemēt, mayme, or wounde, their masters or maistresses, in re-
sistynge their corrections, or otherwyle: or where they be Manumitted,
and set agayne free, or in the tyme of their seruice, shal cōspire with any
other, or by them selves go about to murder & kyl, or to mayme, wounde,
or beate the said Master or Maistres, or any that was their Master or
Maistres, or to burne their houses, barnes, or cozne, so that their entente
come to an acte tendynge to the effecte: that then euerye suche mayme or
wounde, or the goynge about to murder, kyll, mayme, wounde, or beate
such person or persons, as be, or were their Masters or Maistresses, or to
burne their houses, barnes, or cozne, so that their entente do come to any
acte, tendynge to the same effecte, as lyng in waite with a weapō, or any
suche lyke, shalbe accompted Felonie, and they shal suffer thefoze pey-
nes of death, as in case of Felonie: excepte that any suche person or per-
sons, as be, or had bene Master or Maistres to any of them, or he refu-
synge, any other wyl take such person so offending, to their slaues, & then
he, or she so offending, to be adiudged to þ person, so willing to take him

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in her, so offendynge, shalve for ever, and therupon to be discharged of the felonie. The same law & order to be had in all conditions, yf it shoulde chaunce the father, mother, nourice, or other p bearet about of the childe, or any other person, or persons, to steale away such childe adjudged apprentice or servaunte, that is, to be slave to such apprentices or servautes master, whose apprentice or servaunte was so stolen or entiled away, for ever: & the master neuertheles to take & receyue his sayde apprentice or servaunt agayn, as yf the sayde takynge away had neuer be done.

Be it also enacted by auctoritie aforesayde, that although ther be no man, which shal demaunde such lofterer, or lofterers, as before expressed, into their service: Yet neuertheles, the iustice of peace in that Citie, Borough, Towne, or Hundred dwellyng, yf any such be, or els any other iustice of peace of the same shyre & also there dwellyng, by his, or their office, shalbe hereafter boude, by vertue of this acte, not onely to enquire of all such ydle persons, but also, yf they do espie any such vagabondes, or ydle person, or yf any such be detected vnto them, to examine him, or her, of the tyme of their vagaboundrye: & yf it shal appere to any iustice of peace, any such man, or womā to haue been a vagaraunt & vagabound, or ydle person, by the space, as is aforesayde, to cause the same to be marked on the breste with an. V. made with an hoate yron: & also to learne and enquire of him, the Towne, Citie, or Village, wherein he was borne, and then shal immediately geue a wytyng in parchemente sealed with his seale to the sayd lofterer, of the tenor and forme, which here ensueth.

A. B. iustice of peace in the countie of. S. to the Shaiour, or chiefe officer of the Citie of. Q. yf it be a Citie: or to the head Borough Bailie, or Constable, or head officer of p Towne of. Q. yf it be a Towne: or to the Constable, or tythinge man of the Village of. C. yf it be a Village, greetinge.

Accordynge to a moste godlye statute made in the fyrst yere of the reigne of our Soueraigne Lorde King Edward the sixte, ac. We haue taken this bearet. J. K. vagarauntely, & to the euell example of others, withoute maister, service, or labor, wherby to gette his lyuynge, goynge lofterynge, and ydely aboute. And becaue the same saieth, he was borne in. C. in the countie of. S. wherof you are the head officer or Constable, We haue sent hym to you to be ordred accordynge to p purpote and effecte of the same statute, And with this wytyng, shal deliuer the same lofterer to p constables, or other heade officer of the sayd Citie, Towne, or Village, wherein such lofterer was take, to be safely coueighed by them, to the next constables, and so from constables to constables, & other heade officers, tyll he or she be brought to p place, the which, he, or she hath named themselfe to be borne in, & then to be deliuered to p head officer or constable of that same Citie, Borough, or Towne, Village, Hallette, or parish, thereto be nourished and kepte of the same Citie, Towne, or Village, in chernes, or otherwyse, eyther at the common wykes in amendynge by the wayen, or other comon wyke, or fro man to ma in order, tyl they which may beate, be equally

be equally charged, to be slave to the corporation of the Cytie, or to the inhabitants of p^r Towne, or Village, that he, or she, were borne in, after all suche forme, condition, space of yeres, orders, punishments for runnyng away, & all others, as are expressed of a comon, or private person, to wh^o any such lofterer is adiudged a slave. And p^r sayd Cytie, Towne, or Village, shall se the sayd slave beyng hable to labor, sette on worke, and not lyue ydely within the sayd precinctes, vpp^e payne, that for every such default, p^r the saide slave both lyue ydely, by p^r defaulte of p^r Cytie, Borrough, or Town, or Village, by the space of thre working dayes together, the Cytie to forseyt. v. l. a Borrough, or Towne incorporate. xl. s. and other towne or Village. xx. s. Wherof the one haulf to p^r kyng our souereygne lord, the other to him that will sue for the same, in any of the kynges courtes of recorde, by byll, information, or action of debte, in the which lutes, no esoyne, wager of lawe, or protection shall be allowed.

Provided, and be it enacted, that the Cytie, Towne, & Borrough incorporate, by the consente of the more parte of the corporation: & the Towne and Village not incorporate, by the consente of the more parte of the inhabitants thereof, maye sette, sell, or geue awaye, the righte, tytle and interest of the sayd slave, to any other person, as any other comon or private person maye do, with his slave, by the vertue of this Acte.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted, that if it fortune, when the sayd vagabonde is brought to the sayd Cytie, Towne, or Village, where the sayd person sayd, he was borne, to appere & be manifeste, that he, or she was not there borne: that then for such lye, the sayd vagaraunte shall be marked in the face with an. S. and be slave to the Inhabitauntes, or Corporation of the Cytie, Towne, or Village, where the sayd vagaraunte sayd he was borne in, for ever, vpon suche condicions, and orders, in all poyntes, as of a slave marked in the face, is before expressed: the same lawe, and order in all poyntes to be had of all vagaraunte persons, and vagabondes, beyng borne in any other nation or Countrey, then this Realme, as is before expressed, of Englyshe ydle persons, (markynge in the breste or face onelye excepted) that is, to be had to the next porte, & there to be kepte of the Inhabitauntes of the sayd nexte porte, in convenient labor, and from Ydlenes, or other wyle, tyl they may be conueighed over: and then at the Costes of the Inhabitauntes of the sayd porte, to be conueyghed over into theyr Countreys.

And for asmuch as ther is many maymed & otherwile lamed, soze, aged & impotere persons, which resozteth to p^r cytie of London, & to other Cities, Townes, & Villages, on beggynge: who comyng together, & makynge a numbre, doeth fill the stretes or high wayes, of diuers Cyties, Townes, Marchettes, & fayers, who, if they were seperated, mought easely be nourished in the Townes and places, wherem they were borne, or where they were, or have bene moste comersauntes, & abydinge by the space of thre yeres: Be it therfore enacted by p^r aucthoritie aforesayd, that all & singules

Shiriffes, Bayliffes, Constables, or other head Officers of any Citie, Towne, or Hundreth, to which such recourse is, or shalbe, before the feaste of the Purification of our ladye next following, see all suche Poore, Impotent, Souldred, & aged persons, who otherwyle cannot by theyr discretions be taken for vagabondes, which were borne within thesaide Citie, Towne, or Hundreth, or hath been there moste conuersaunt and abydinge by the space of thre yerres, as is aforesayde, & nowe decayed, destituted and provided for, of Tenauntres, Cotages, or other conueniente houses, to be lodged in, at the costes & Charges of thesaide Citie, Townes, Borroughes, & villages, there to be relieved & cured, by the deuotion of the good people, of thesaide Citie, Borrough, Towne, or Village: And that they do not suffer, after the tyme before rehearsed, any other, then such, as eyther were borne, or hath bene for the moste part conuersaunt, or abydinge, by the space aforesayde, in the saide Citie, Borrough, Village, or Towne, to remayne and begge abroad wythin the precinctes of suche Cyties, Townes, Villages, or Hundrethes: vpon payne, that every such Shairiffes, and Bayliffes, Constable, or other head Officer, by what name soeuer he be called, sufferinge anye persons to begge within the precincte of his, or theyr suche iurisdiction, other then is before rehearsed, for every thre dayes, shall forfeite .x. s. to whome soeuer wyl sue therfore, by byll, Information, Action of debte, in anye Courte of Recorde, in the which sutes, none eslopme, wager of Lawe, nor protection shalbe allowed.

And for the better persfourmaunce hereof: be it enacted by auctoritie aforesayd, that the Shairour of y Citie of London, & all other Shairours, Bayliffes, Shirriffes, Constables, and other heade Officers of euery Citie, Towne corporate, do, wyth all conueniente speede by theyrselfes, or theyr sufficient deputies, by them appoynted, before the feaste of the Purification next commynge, and so from tyme to tyme, euery moneths once, make a view & examination of aged, impotent and lame persons, Beggars, as be wythin the precincte of theyr iurisdiction, & se all such, as were not borne, nor hath bene for the moste parte conuersaunt and abydinge there, by the space of thre yerres complete, conueighed on horsebacke, Carte or Chariotte, or otherwyle, as shall seme by theyr discretions, to the next Constables, and they to conueighe the same to the next Constables, and so fro Constables to Constables, tyll thesaide persons be broughte to the place, where they were borne, or moste conuersaunt and abyding, as is aforesayd, there to be provided for, kepte and nourished, of almose, as is aforesayd: vnder the payne, that every such Shairour, Shirriff, or Constable, head Borrough, or head Officer not making view, not sending, or conueighinge away, not receauynge, or not providing, as is before appoynted, accordyng to the true purpose or meanyng of this Acte, to forfeite for every such defaulte .xl. s. wherof the one halfe to the kynges vse, the other, to the party that wyl sue therfore in any of the kynges

hinges Courtes of Record, by bill, information, action of debte, in the which suites, none esoyne, wager of law, nor protectiō shalbe allowed.

Provided alwaies, that if any of the said aged, maimed or impotent persones, of the Cities, Townes, or Villages, where they were borne in, or had their moste abiding, as aforesaid, bee not so lame or impotent, but that they maye worke in some maner of worke: that then suche citee, towne, Parishes, or Village, doo either in common provide some suche worke for them, as they maye be occupied in, or appoynt them to suche as will finde them worke, for meate and drynke. And if they refuse of wilfulnesse and stubburnesse to worke, or do runne awaie, and begge in other places, then to punish the same accordyng to their discretions, with cheyning, beating, or otherwise, as shall seme to them convenient. And for the more furtheraunce of the relief of suche, which are in unfained misery, and to whom charitie ought to be extended: be it enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that every Sundaie and holy daie, after the reading of the Gospell of the daie, the curate of every Parishes, do make, accordyng to suche talēt as God hath geuen hym, a Godly and brief exhortacion to his Parishioners: mouyng and excityng them, to remembre the poore people, and the duetie of Christian charitie, in relieuyng of them, which bee their brethren in Christe, borne in the same Parishes, and nedyng their helpe.

Provided alwaies, that if it shall chaunce, any suche adiudged apprentice, seruaunt, or slaue, as is aforesaid, to haue inheritauce descended vnto hym, or her, or any other waies, be, by the lawes of this realme, warde, or bonde manne, or neif of bloode, by, or from any of his auncestors, to any persone or persones: That then it shalbee lawfull to any suche persone or persones, to whom any suche warde, bonde man, or neif shall apperteyne, to lease and take suche wardes, bonde manne or nieses, and them to reteigne and kepe, as their wardes, bonde men or nieses. And the said wardes, bonde men and nieses shalbee discharged of the said slaue, or other seruitude or bondage aboue reherced: This estatute, or any thyng therein conteigned, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And also bee it enacted, that if any suche seruaunt, apprentice, slaue, or slaues, which shall haue at any tyme hereafter any aduancement or liuyng, accrue, come, or growe vnto hym, or any of them, whereby he, or they maye haue a convenient liuyng, that then, and from thencefurthe, he, or they so being aduanced, to be discharged of their slaue, seruitude and bondage: this acte, or any thyng therein conteigned to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding: any woman being a seruaunt, apprentice or slaue, as is aforesaid, being married within the age of .xx. yeres, without the assent of her Master, vntill she shall accomplishe and come to the said age of .xx. yeres, onely excepted.

Be it also enacted, that all leppodis and poore beddered creatures;

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whatsoever they be, male at their owne libertie, remain and continue in
suche houses, appointed for leprouse, or beddyed people, as they now be
in: shall not be compelled to repaire into any other countries or places,
by vertue of this acte, any thyng therein conteyned to the contrary not-
withstanding. And that also it shalbe lefull vnto thesaid leprouse and
beddyed people, for their better reliefes, to appoynte their Doctor or
Doctors, so there be not appoynted aboue the numbze of twoo perso-
nes, for any one house of leprouse and beddyed people, to gather the cha-
ritable almosse of all suche inhabitauntes, as shalbee within the copasse
of.iiii. miles of any of thesaid houses of lepies, and beddyed persones.

And be it ordeined and enacted by the aucthoritie abouesaid, that it
shalbe lawfull to euery persone, to whom any persone in forme aboue-
said shalbee adiudged a slaue, to put a tyng of yron aboute his necke,
arme, or his legge, for a moze knowledg and suertie of the keepng of
hym. And that if any persone or persones, do take, or helpe to take any
suche bond of yron from any suche slaue, that then euery persone so do-
yng without the licence or assent of his master, shall forfait for euery
suche defaulte, ten poundes sterlyng.

Be it further enacted, that this present acte, shall, before the first day
of Marche next comyng, be openly proclaimed in euery citie Corpo-
rate, Coune, and market Coune, vpon the market daie: and also from
thencefurth shall yerely be redde in euery shire openly in twoo generall
quarter sessions of the peace, that is to saie, at the general quarter sessi-
ons after Midsummer, and the general quarter sessions next after Chri-
stemas, to the intent, that euery persone maie haue knowledg thereof,
and that this acte shall indure vnto the ende of the next parliament.

Provided alwaies, and bee it enacted, that it shalbee lawfull to the
lorde Chauncelloz of Englande, or the lorde keeper of the greate Seale
for the tyme beyng, at their discretions, to graunt Commission vnder
the greate Seale of Englande, to euery, or any persone or persones,
that hath, or shall haue his, or their houses or barnes burnt, or such los-
ses, to gather the relief and charitie of others, for their aide and help, of
his or their losses, decaie, or hinderance, as in tymes past hath been v-
sed: any thyng contraigned in this acte notwithstanding.

The.iii. Chapter. In acte for tenures holden in Capite.



Where before this tyme, ambiguities, questions, and
doubtes haue been moued and stirred in diuerse
and sundery the kynges Courtes of Recorde, whe-
ther suche Honours, Castelles, Manours, Landes,
Tenementes and other Hereditamentes are holde
of the kyng in Capite, whiche any his louyng sub-
iectes doo holde by knightes seruice, socage, or
other seruices of the kyng, as of his Duchies,
Ereldomes,

Erledomes, Baronies, Honours, Castelles, Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Fees, and Seigniories, whiche haue come to the handes and possession of diuerse of his highnesse moste noble Progenitors, by Attainder of treason, misprision of treason, Attainders of premunire, and prouision had and doen by acte of Parliament, by verdicte, confession, conuiccion, or vtlagary, and offices or no offices thereupon founde, or by the dissolucion, surrendre, or geuyng vp to the kyng, or to any his noble Progenitors, of any Religious or Ecclesiasticall houses or places, or of any Manours, Landes, Tenementes, and other Hereditamentes, to any of thesame Religious or Ecclesiasticall houses or places in any wise apperteynyng or belongyng, or no: By meanes of whiche doubte so moued, his saied humble and obedient subiectes and tenants haue been heretofore muche vnquieted, molested and greued: wherfore the kyng our soueraigne Lorde, myndyng and entierly desirynge the quietnes of his saied subiectes, and that the certaintie of his lawes in that behalfe might be knowen and declared to his saied louyng subiectes, for a plain declaracion and resolution to be had, of, for, and concerning the premisses, at the humble petition and suppe of the Lordes and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, doth ordein, declare and enacte by the assent of the Lordes spirituall and tempozall, and of the Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of thesame, that all suche Honours, Castels, Manours, Landes, Tenementes, and other Hereditamentes, and euery of them, which now be, or at any tyme hereafter shalbe holde of the kyng, or any of his heires or successors, by any of his saied subiectes, by knightes seruice, Boorage or otherwise, as of any of his or their Dukedomes, Erledomes, Baronies, Castelles, Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Fees, or Seigniories, whiche be come to the kyng, or his moste noble Progenitors, or hereafter shal come to the kyng, his heires or successors, by meanes of any suche Attainder, Conuiccion, Vtlagary, or of any suche dissolucion, surrendre or geuyng vp of any Religious or Ecclesiasticall houses or places, or of any Manours, Landes, Tenementes or Hereditamentes, to any of thesaid religious or ecclesiasticall houses or places in anywise belongyng or apperteynyng, shall not from hencefurth be adiudged, demed, taken or construed, to any intent, construction or purpose, to be holden in Capite, or at Tenure in Capite: any ambiguite, question, or doubt heretofore moued to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and bee it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that this acte or any thing therein contained, shal not in anywise be prejudiciall ne hurtfull to the kyng, his heires or successors, to, for, or concerning any wardship, liuerie, primer seison, fine for alienacion, or to or for any other profite or aduantage, whiche now is come, or hereafter shall, or maye come, fall or growe to the kyng, his heires, or successors, by, or from any person, or persones, whiche now doth, or hereafter

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Shall holde any Honours, Dignities, Castles, Manours, Landes, Tenementes, or other Hereditamentes of the kyng in Chief, as of his person, or of any other his auncient possessions, and beyng not come to the kyng by any suche attainder, confession, conviction, outlagary, dissolution, geuyng vp, or surrender, as be abovesaid.

It is also, and bee it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that this present acte, or any thyng therein conteyned or specified, shall not in any wise, or by any meanes, geue any aduantage, libertie or profite to any Tenant or owner in fee simple, of any Honours, Manours, Landes, Tenementes, or other Hereditamentes, whiche haue heretofore sued any speciall or generall liuerie, or ouster le mayne, out of the handes of the kyng, or of any his noble progenitors, of any Honours, Manours, Landes, Tenementes, or other Hereditamentes, by what tenor or service thei were or be holden, or that haue, or shall confesse by any matter of record, any tenor in Chief of the kyng, but that thei, their heires and assignes, shall haue and holde thesame Manours, Landes, Tenementes, and other Hereditamentes, in like maner and forme, as thei did before the making of this present acte, and as though this present acte had neuer been had, ne made: any thyng aboute declared and enacted to the contrary notwithstanding.

Che. v. Chapter.
In acte that no Horses shalbe conueighed out of this realme, and other the kynges Dominions, without licence.



WHERE before this tyme, diuerse of the kynges Subiectes, and namely of the Northe partes of this realme, aswell in tyme of peace as of warre, haue conueighed, sold, geuen and deliuered out of this realme, aswell into Scotlande, as into other foeyne realmes beyond the sea, many and diuerse great multitude of Horses, Geldynges and Mares, whiche haue been thought, aswell greete occasion, strength, and boldnesse to the Scottisshemen, and other the kynges foeyne enemies, hauyng in possession thesame Horses, Geldynges and Mares, in tyme of warre to invade this realme, as also a great decay of the good breede of Horses, and Mares, whiche before this tyme hath been within this realme, to the greete detriment and hinderaunce of the kynges poore Subiectes, to waches the defence of this realme, and other his Dominions: For remedie whereof, bee it therfore enacted by our soueraigne lord the kyng, and by the commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of thesame, that if any persone, or persones, after the firste date of January next comyng, do sell, exchange, geue, conueigh, or deliuer, into the realme of Scotland, to the vse of any Scottisshman, or do carry, geue, exchange, sell, sende, conueigh, or deliuer into any place beyonde the sea, out of this realme,

of the dominions of the same, any Horse, Gelding, or Mare, without special licence, therfore to be obtained, of the kyngs highnes, or of his heires, vnder the greate seale of this realme, or vnder the priuey signate: or of any persone, or persones, after the sayd first day of January, do sell, exchange, geue, or deliuer to any Scottishe man within this realme of England or Wales, the toun of Berwicke, or the Marches of the same, to thintet to be conueighed into Scotland, any Horse, Gelding, or Mare, or do conueigh or cary, any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, into any forayne parties beyond the sea, without like special licence obtained of the kynges highnes, or of his heires, vnder the greate seale, or priuey signate, as is aforesaid: that then the same persone and persones so offendynge, contrary to this acte, shall loose, & forfeit to our sayd soueraine lord, and his heires, the same Horse, Mare, or Gelding, so carped & conueighed, and shall also loose & forsaite the summe of fourtie poundes, for every such Horse, Gelding or Mare, so to be conueighed and caried in forme aforesaid: Whereof the one moytie to be to the kyng, & the other moytie to him, or them, that will sue for the same, by informacion, action of debte, or detinue, in any of the kynges Courtes of recorde, in which suite, no wager of lawe, ellayne, ne protection shalbe allowed: And that also all, and every persone & persones so offendynge, contrary to this acte shall suffer imprisonment by the space of one whole yere.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that it shalbe lefull, aswell to the Wardeyn & Wardens of the East, West, & middle Marches, for the tyme being, in their Ward Court, as also, to all & every the kynges Justices of peace, in every shire, aswell in England, as in Wales, in their quarter Sessions, to inquire of all & every offence or offences, hereafter to be perpetrated, committed or do, contrary to this acte: And if it shalbe lefull to all & every persone & persones, being the kynges subiectes, to arrest & imprison every Scottishe man, & all & every other person, & persones, which shall leade, or conueigh, contrary to the meaning of this act, any such Horse, Gelding, or Mare, out of this realme into the said realme of Scotland, or into any other forayne place beyond the sea, other then such persons, as hereafter shal haue sufficient warrant, by, or fro the kynges highnes or his heires, vnder his, or their greate seale, or priuey signate, accordyng to the meanyng of this acte.

Provided alwaies, & be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that if the kyng our soueraine lord, his heires or successors, at any tyme hereafter, vnder his great seale, or priuey signate, do geue licence, to any person or persones, to cary or conueigh any Horses, Mares, or Geldinges into Scotland, or into any other parties beyond the sea, or els do geue aucthoritie, power, or commaundement, to any persone or persones, by warrant, vnder the kynges greate seale, to licence any other persone or persones, to cary, or conueigh any Horses, Mares, or Geldinges into Scotland, or into any parties beyond the sea, that then it shalbe lefull,
aswell

afford to all & singuler persone & persones, hauing such licence vnder the kynges great scale, or priue signate, as to all & euery other person, and persones, hauing licence in writing vnder þe scale of such persones, or persones, to whiche, þe kyng shal geue auctorite, power, or commaundement in forme abovesaid, to licence other persone, or persones, to cary, or coueigh any Horses, Mares, or Geldynges, into Scotland, or into any parties beyond the sea, to cary, & coueigh such numbre of Horses, Geldynges, or Mares, or any of the into Scotland, or into any of the parties beyond the sea, as shalbe mencioned in any such licence, as is before specified, any thyng mencioned in this acte to þe contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, & be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaide, that this acte, ne anye thyng therein contained, shall in any wise extende, to anye persone, or persones, whiche at anye tyme hereafter, shall cary, or coueigh any Horse, Mare, or Geldyng into Scotland, or into anye other forayne parties beyonde the sea, to serue the kyng in hys warres, with thesame Horses, Mares, or Geldynges, any thyng mencioned in this acte, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And to the intent the kynges maiestie shall not hereafter be deceiued, in the number of such Horses, Mares, or Geldynges, whiche hereafter shalbe caryed & coueighed into Scotland, ne, that the parties, which hereafter shal obteyn any licence by force of this acte, for the cariage or coueighaunce, of anye Horses, Mares, or Geldynges, to be caryed or coueighed into Scotland: Be it therfore enacted by the auctorite aforesaide, that all and euery such persone & persones, whiche hereafter shalbe licensed, accordyng to this acte, to cary or coueigh any Horses, Mares, or Geldynges, into Scotland, shal, before thesame cariage, or coueighaunce, vnder the peine of forfaiture of thesaid Horse, Mare, or Geldyng, or the double value thereof: wherof the one moitie to be to the kyng, & the other moitie to him, or the, that will sue for thesame by such like action, as before is limited in this acte. Shewe his, or their said licence, to one of þe three Wardens of the three Marches of England, to the intent that one of the said Wardens shal cause the numbre of thesaid Horses, Mares, or Geldynges, so licensed to be coueighed into Scotland, not onely to be halendard in a booke, to remayn in his awn custodie: but also to be indorsed, & writte on þe backe syde of thesaid licence, & thesame endorsemēt to be signed with the hande of thesaid Warden.

Provided alwaies, that it shalbe lesfull to euerye of the kynges subiectes, that shall passe ouer beyond the sea, to ship and cary with them, Horses, or Geldynges, for their onely occupaciō in their iourneys, and not to the intent to sell thesame beyonde the sea: And that intent to be iudged, by the othe of him, or them, that so wyll cary ouer anye Horse, or Geldyng, which othe shalbe take before the Customs, or thei deputies, or leacher of euery such port, where thesame Horse, or Geldyng, shalbe shipped before the shipping thereof.

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Provided alwaies, that the Ward of the five portes, now being, or hereafter to be, maie verely at his pleasure, geue sixe Horses or Geldinges, a no more, within one yere, at one, or diuerse tymes, vnder like price, as is aforesayde, to any persone or persones, in the parties beyonde the seas, beyng in amitie with the kynges highnes, or his successours: this acte or any thyng therein, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that this acte, nor any thyng therein mencioned, be in any wise hurtfull or preiudiciall to the Maister of the kynges Horses now, & hereafter to be, for such thinges & comodities, as shall, & do concerne his office: any thyng in this acte, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that it shalbe lefull to anye the kynges subiectes, to carry, or sende into any partes beyonde the sea, any Wares, whereof the price of any one Ware, so to be caried, doth not excede. x. s. in suche and lyke maner, as Wares, beyng of the price of. vi. s. viii. d. have been, or might have been conueighed ouer the seas, befoze the makynge of this acte: any thyng in this acte, or in any other acte or actes, heretofore made to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

20 An acte for the contynuaunce of makynge of
woolsted yarne in Norfolk.

Cap. vi.



Here the greatest and almoost the whole numbze of the pooze inhabitantes of the Countye of Norfolk, and the cite of Norwich, be, and haue bene heretofore for a great tyme magnteyned, and gotten their lyuynge by spynnyng of the wolles, growynge in thesayd Countye of Norfolk, vpon the roche into yarne, & by all thesayd tyme haue bled to haue their accesse to comon markettes within thesayd Countie and Cite, to bye theire wolles there to be spunn as is aforesayd, of certayne persones called Retailers of thesame wolles by eight penyworth, and twelue penyworth at one tyme or therabout, and haue not bled to bye, ne can bye their sayde wolles of the breeders of thesame wolles by suche small percelles, aswell for that thesayd breeders of thesayd wolles wll not sell their sayde wolles by suche small percelles, as also for that the moost parte of thesayd pooze persones, dwel farre of from thesayd breeders of thesayd wolles. And forasmuche as by an acte of parliament made in the. xxxvii. yere of the raigne of the noble kyng of famous memory Henry the. viii. all persones be restrayned vpon a greete payne, to bye any wolles to sell thesame agayne, except merchauntes of the Staple, for the onlye prouydon of the Staple, as in thesayd acte emonge other thynges moze at large it is conteyned: therefore thesayde Retailers of wolles in thesayd Countye of Norfolk and Cite of Norwich, which heretofore haue bled to bye wolles, and to sell them agayne to the

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to the sayed poore persones in ouer markettes as is aforesayed, haue
 sente the makynge of thesayde estatute in elcheuynge the daungier and
 peyne provided by thesame, ceased and leste to bye thesayde wolles, for
 the reliefe of thesayd poore persones: By reason wherof, thesame poore
 persones inhabityng within thesaide countie of Norfolk and citie of Nor-
 wiche, that hath heretofore bene spynners, and mainteyned by spynnyng
 of thesayd wolles, be now vnuoccupied & vnsuet awoke, and a great num-
 bre of them enforced to begge for lacke of worke, to the vtter decaye and
 curyn of the poore people of thesayde countie and cytie, and the inhabi-
 tautes therof, onlesse some remedy be therein provided: In consideration
 wherof, it maye please the kynges moost royall maiestie, by the assent of
 the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in this present par-
 liament assembled, & by auctorite of thesame, that all and euery person
 and persones dwellyng and inhabityng within thesaide countie of Nor-
 folk and Citie of Norwiche, or in either of them, by his, or themselves, or
 by his, or their factours, seruaut, or seruantes, maye lawfully from hence-
 furth, without peyne, forfaiture, daungier, or breache of any law or ordi-
 nauce, to bye and bargayn wolles, and take and make prouision to bye
 or bargayne wolles, growyng, or that shall growe only within thesayed
 countie of Norfolk, in as large and lyke maner and fourme, as thesame
 inhabitautes within thesayed countie & Cytie, might, and did vse to do,
 before the makynge of thesayed acte of Parliament, and as thesayed acte
 of Parliament had neuer bene had or made, so that thesame persone and
 persones so byynge or bargayning, or takynge promes to bye or bargayn
 thesaide wolles, do sell or retayle thesame agayne in the comon market,
 and other open place within thesayed countie of Norfolk or Citie of Nor-
 wiche, to any persone or persones at their pleasure and libertie that wyl
 bye thesame, or anye pcell thereof, dwellynge and inhabitynge wythin
 thesaide countie and Cytie of Norwiche, or any of them, that shal or will
 spynne thesame wythin thesayed countie of Norfolk, and Cytie of Nor-
 wiche, or anye of them, thesayed former acte, or any article, clause or sen-
 tence therein conteyned, or anye other acte or actes, lawe or ordynauce,
 heretofore made, to the contrary therof in any wyse notwithstanding.

And where in the Parliament holden at Westmynster the. xxiii. yere
 of the regne of oure sayed late Souereygne Loide the kyng, it was
 emongest other thynges, enacted thus as ensueth, or lyke in effecte, that
 is to saye, that no persone or persones from hencefurthe, shoulde bye ne
 cause to be boughte wythin the sayed Cytie of Norwiche, or Countie of
 Norfolk, anye parne spunne of the rocke, called woollsted parne, the whi-
 che shoulde then after that be spunne wythin thesayed Countie or Cytie,
 but such person or persones bying weuers of woollsted, Russelles, Sta-
 myne, Dapes, and suche other lyke clothes, wythin thesayed Cytie or
 Countie, that shoulde weue or worke, or cause to be wouen and broughte
 in woollsted, Stamyne, Russelles, Dapes, and suche other lyke clothes,
 thesayed

thesayd yarne so bought and caused to be bought wythin thesayd Cytie
 of Countrey, in the Cytie of Azothe, or in some market towne wythin
 thesayd Countrey: vpon the peyne and forfaiture, for euery pound
 weyght of thesayd yarne called woollsted yarne so bought wythin thesayd
 Countrey or Cytie, and not wouen nor wrought, as is aforesayd, wythin
 thesayd Cytie or Countrey forty shyllynges, & one haulte therof to be to
 the kyng our soueraign Lord, & the other haulte therof to be to hym, or
 theym, that should then after that, seue for thesame, by byll, Informa-
 tion, Actio of debt, or otherwyle, in any court of recorde, in whiche sayd
 action, byll, or informatio, no esloyn, wager of lawe foreyn plea or pro-
 tection should be allowed. And wher it is also ordeyned in thesayd acte
 that if anye person or persones, dyd, after the fyfthe daye of Aprill then
 next after thesayd acte ensuyng, shyp, or cary, or coueygh, or cause to be
 shyped, to carye or coueygh into the parties beyond the sea, or dyd ca-
 rye or coueygh into the parties beyond the sea, any yarne called woollsted
 yarne, not made or wrought in cloth, so that suche yarne were spunne
 wythin thys realme that then euery person and persones so shyping,
 conueyghing & caryng, or causyng suche yarne so to be shyped, caryed
 & coueyghed, should forfait for euery pound of woollsted yarne so shyp-
 ped, conueyed or caryed, xl. s. the one halfe therof to be to our sayd soue-
 reyn Lord the kyng, and the other halfe therof to hym, or theym, that
 should sue for thesame, by byll, Informacion, or action of debt in any of
 the kynges courttes of recorde, as in thesayd acte, thesame or the lyke in
 effect moze playnly dothe and may appere. And forasmuche as thesayd
 acte was made and ordeyned to cōtynue and endure vntyll the parlia-
 ment then after that next ensuyng, and hath bene lythens by other ge-
 nerall actes contynued vntyll thys present parliament, and was not by
 any of thesayd actes ordeyned to cōtynue for ever: It maye now please
 the kynges moost excellent Maiesty, with the assent of the Lordes
 spiritual and temporall, and the cōmons in thys present parliament as-
 sembled, and by auctoritie of thesame, that al the afoze recited acte for
 yarne, with all the woordes, forfaitures and sentences befoze recyted,
 as thesame be, befoze recyted & declared, maye, from hensfurth be enac-
 ted to contynue and to be taken for an acte to contynue for ever, to al in-
 tentes and purposes, accordyng to thesayd woordes, sentences and the
 purport therof, befoze in thys acte recyted.

Provided allwyle, that it shalbe lesull to euery person and perso-
 nes, beyng a hat maker or hat makers, dwellyng wythin thesayd Cytie
 of Azothe, to bye suche of thesayd woollsted yarne, as is called & kno-
 wen by the name of myddell vffe yarne, as they and euery of theim have
 heretofore done and vsed to do, so that thesame myddell vffe yarne, so
 bought by thesayd hat makers or hat maker, be wrought in hattes, or
 employed to hat makynge, wythin thesayd Cytie, any thyng befoze recy-
 ted, to the contrary therof not wythstandyng.

An acte for the continuance of actions after the
deathe of any kyng.



Where p^rinces subiectes heretofore haue to they^r great
costes, charges, and expences prosecuted and sued by
necesse and souerayn actions, as well real and personal,
as all other actions, nixt or otherwys in the kynges
Chancerys courtes and other courtes of record,
not only by writtes, but also by pleynt or bylles, whyche
actions, suites, bylles and pleyntes by the deathe
or demyse of the kynges of this realme, haue bene dyscontinued, & the
parties in every suche actions, suites, bylles, and pleyntes, therby haue
bene put wythoute daye, wherby the demaundauntes, pleyntiffes, and
actors in every suche action and sute were compelled and dyuyn by the
ordre of the lawes of this realme for they^r further remedy to comynce
and begynne agayn bys or they^r sayd actions, suites, or pleyntes, or
els to prosecute and sue Resomynons, Attachementes, Seire facias, or su-
che other lyke processe, to requere bys or they^r sayd actions, suites or ple-
yntes, whiche was not only to they^r great costes, charges, expences, hy-
nderaunces and delaye of they^r causes and suites, but also a great let &
hynderaunce of iustice: for reformation wherof be it ordeyned, establis-
shed and enacted by the kyng our souerayn Lord and the Lordes and
Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the auctho-
rite of the same, that from henceforth by the deathe or demyse of the kynges
Whiche, that now is (whose lyfe almyghty God long preserve, kepe, &
maynteyn in his moost royall estate) nor by the deathe or demyse of any
that hereafter shalbe kyng of this realme, any action, sute, byll or pleynt
now, or that hereafter shal depend betwene partie and partie in any of
the courtes aforesaid, shal not in any wise be dyscontinued or put wout
daye: But that the processe, pleyntes, demurres and continuances in e-
very action, actions, suites, bylles, or pleyntes, whyche nowe, or that her-
after shal depend, shal stand good and effectual, and be prosecuted and
sued furth in suche maner and forme, and in the same estate, condition
and ordre, as if the same kyng had lyued or continued in full lyfe, the
deathe or demyse hereafter of any kyng of this realme notwithstanding.
And that all and all maner of iudiciall processe that hereafter shalbe had
or pursued in the tyme of the regn of any other kyng then reigned at
the tyme of the pursuete of the originall or other former processe, shalbe
made in the name of the kyng that for the tyme shal regn and be kyng
of this realme, and that variance touchyng the same processe betwene
the names of the kynges, shal not be in any wise materiall as concern-
yng any default to be alleged or objected therfore.
And also be it further established & enacted by p^r auctho-
rite aforesaid, that al a every Assise of uouel disseysyn, assise of mortuor, assise of dar-
reyn, and

and attayne whiche at any tyme hereafter shalbe arraigned, comended
or sued before any of the kynges iustices of assise, shall not from hence-
forth be dyscontinued or put wythout day, by reason of death, newe com-
mission, association, or not comyng of the same iustices of assise, or any of
theym, but shal stand good & effectual in the lawe, to al intetes, construc-
tions & purposes (the death, newe commission, association, or not comyng
of the same iustices, or any of theym in any wyse not wstanding. And
ouer þe be it ordeyned & enacted by the aucthorite aforesaid, þe albeut any
demaundant or pleyntife in any maner of actiō, byll or sute, shal fortune
to be made, created duke, Archebischop, Marques, Earle, Viscount, Ba-
ron, Bischop, knyght, iustice of the one bench, or of the other, or sergeant
at lawe, dependyng the same action, byll or sute, yet þe not wstanding þe
no wyse action or sute shal, for suche cause, in any wyse be abatible or
abated, but shal remayn in lyke force, goodnes & strength, as the same
was before, any lawe or blage to the contrary in any wyse not wstanding.

And also be it ordeyned & enacted by the aucthorite aforesaid, þe albeut
any persō or persones, beyng iustice of assise, iustice of Gaole deliverty,
or iustice of peace wythin any of þe kynges dominions, or beyng in any
other of the kynges commissions whatsoever, shal fortune to be made
or created Duke, Archebischop, Marques, Earle, Viscount, Barō, Bis-
shop, knyght, iustice of the one bench or of the other, or Sergeant at
lawe, or Shyrieve, yet þe not wstanding, he & they shal remayn iustice &
Comissioner, & haue full power & aucthorite to execute the same, in lyke
maner & forme, as he or they myght or ought to haue done before þe same.

And be it ordeyned & enacted by the aucthorite aforesaid, that in al ca-
ses, wher any persō or persones hertofore haue bene, or hereafter shalbe
found gyltie of any maner of treason, Murder, Manslaught, rape, or
other felony whatsoever, for the whyche, iudgement of death shoulde or
may ensue, and shalbe repried to pryson wythout iudgement at that ty-
me geuen agaynst hym, her, or them, so found gyltie, that those persones
that at any tyme hereafter shal by the kynges lettres patents be assig-
ned iustices to delivier the Gaole, wher any iuche pson or persones found
gyltie shal remayn, shal haue full power & aucthorite to geue iudgement
of death agaynst suche person so found gyltie & repried, as the same iu-
stices (before whom suche person or persones was, or were found gyltie)
myght haue done, if theyr Comission of Gaole deliverty had remayned
& continued in full force & strength. And ouer that, that no maner of
proccesse or sute, made, sued or had before any Iustices of Assise, Gaole
deliverty, Oyer and terminer, Iustice of peace, or other of the kynges
Comissioners, shal, ne in any wyse be dyscontinued by þe makyng & pub-
lishyng, of any newe commissiō or associatiō, or by alteryng of the names
of the Iustices of Assise, Gaole deliverty, Oyer and terminer, Iustices
of peace, or other the kynges comissioners, but that the new Iustices of
Assise, Gaole deliverty, and of the peace & other comissioners, may pro-

to be in every behaulfe, as if the olde Commissions, & Justices and com-
missioners had byll remayned and continued, not altered.

Cap. viii.

In act for confirmation of letters patentes.

Where the kynges moost excellent highnes, the eighth
and twentieth day of January, in the first yere of his Maie-
ties reyn, aswell vpon dyuerse and sundry good cōsidera-
cions his Maietie specially mōving, as also otherwys,
hath bargayned, solde, exchanged, geuen, restored and
granted by his graces severall letters patentes, Indentures or other
wrytynges, sealed vnder his highnes great seale of England, the seale
of his duchy of Lancaster, and the seale of the court of augmentaciō and
the revenues of his crowne, or any of theyn, aswell to bodys polittique
and corporate, as to dyuerse and sundry of his lōving & obedyent sub-
iectes, dyuerse and sundry Honours, Castellles, Mannours, Landes, Te-
nementes, Rentes, Reuencions, Seruyces, Personages appropriated,
Advousons, Tythes, Oblacions, Pensions, Portions, Fraunchyses,
Privileges, libertyes and other hereditamētes, comodities & profits
in fee simple, fee taylor for terme of lyfe or lifes, or for terme of yeres, as
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or heredi-

of hereditamentes of any pcell therof, or for lack of true naming of the corporacion of the same bodyes pollitike or Corporate, or for lack of attournement, lyverey or sealon, or for misnaming of any of the late Tenantes or serinours of the same premises so solde given, graunted or exchanged, as for diverse & sundry other suggestions & causes not comprised in the said letters patentis, whiche hereafter myght happen to be moved, surmised or procured agaynst the same letters patentis: For ceined by a reformatio wherof, be yt ordeyned and enacted by the kynges most excellent highnes, with assent of the lordes spiritual, & temporal, & the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the aucthoute of the same, & aswell all & every the said letters patentis, indentures & other writynges & every of theim sealed wth or vnder the scale or scales above named or any of theim, made or graunted by the kynges highnes, sythens the xxviii. daye of Januarii last past, as also all & singular hys graces letters patentis, indentures & other writynges hereafter, durynge hys highnes life whiche our Lord long continue to be had, made or graunted wth or vnder any of the scales abovesaid to any body pollitike or corporate, or to any other person or persones of any Honours, Castelles, Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, Rentis, reuerfions, seruites, personages, Cithes, pectons, poircis, aduoufions, nominacions, presentacions, franchises, liberties, & other hereditamentes, commodities, possessions & profits, of what kynde, nature or qualite so ever they or any of theim be is, or shalbe, or by whatsoeuer name or names they or any of theim be is or shalbe named, known or reputed, shal stand & be taken, reputed and iudged, good, sure, perfite, effectuall & auayleable in the lawe, durynge the tyme in theim lymitted & specified, to all intentes, respectes, constructions & purposes, agaynst the kyng, his heires, & successours, wthout any cofirmacion, licence, dispensacio or tolleracion of the kyng his heires or successours, any & causes or matters above mencioned, conteyned, or hereafter durynge his said highnes lyfe, to be conteyned, had or made in any suche letters patentis, indentures or other writynges, by the kyng our souereygn Lord, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaye, that this act ne any thyng thereyn conteyned, shal not in any wise extend to reuoc or make good any letters patentes made of any office or offices to any Controller, Customier, Moneger or Merchant, ne to any letters patentis of the graunte, of any other office or offices hertofore graunted or made by our said souereygn Lord the kyng whiche now is, or be, or at any tyme hertofore have bene aduuladated, determyned or made wth by iudgement by aucthoute of parliament or by decree, nor to any patent to be made to any person or persones for tyme of yeres or durynge the minoritye of any heire, of or in any Mannours, Landes or Tenementes, wherof any traucte hereafter shalbe tyned wthin the monethes after any office found & certified into any of the kynges courtis of recorde, ne to any leases or grauntes of any Mannours, Landes

Des. or Tenementes of our said sovereign Lordes hereafter to be made under any of the scales of the courttes aforesaid, contrary to the limitation, ordinance, promise, establishment & authoritie of the same courttes, any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also and be it enacted, that this acte nor any thing therein conteyned, shall not extend to make any letters patenttes of any office or offices, to be of any other effect, force, or strength, then the same letters patenttes were, or should have bene before the making of this acte.

Provided allwaie, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid that at a singuler suche patenttes, graunttes, donees, as any tyme hereafter during the lyfe of our sayd sovereign Lord (whiche almighty God long preserve) shall fortune to have or obtayne, any Castelles, Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, Tythes, pencions, poicions or other hereditamentes, of the gyft graunt, sale or exchange of the kynges Maiestie, or of the onlie gyft of the kynges Maiestie, of his moost liberrall disposition, & not soule, whiche at the day of the date of the letters patenttes, therof made, shall be of more, or better yetely value to the kyng in yetely rent and farme, then shall be conteyned, mencioned and specyfyed in any suche letters patenttes and particulars therof made by the partycular surueyours or surueyours therof, & in suche bill or bills, as shall be signed and sealed with the hand or hands of the patente or patenttes therof to be exhibited to the kynges Maiestie, or his officer or officers, within whose suruey the said Mannours, Landes and Tenementes and other the premises, or any parte therof shall be, or within any of them, whiche byll shall be signed, sealed, had and made as is aforesaid, before any byll shall be therof signed by the kynges maiestie: that then euery of the said patenttes, graunttes & donees, their heyres, executors, or administratours, within one yere next after due prose and decrees therof made and had in the courtte, within whose suruey the same Castelles, Mannours, Landes, Tenementes and other the premises, or any ptecel therof before the said gyftes and graunttes were, shall content and paye to the kyng for the same ouerplus and more value of the same Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, Tythes, pencions, poicions, and other hereditamentes to hym sold or exchanged, after suche rate, as other Landes and Tenementes, were before to hym sold or exchanged, and for the ouerplus and more value of suche landes and tenementes as shall happen to be gyven by the kynges maiestie, & not sold, as is abovesaid, the said patente, his heyres, executors or administratours shall content and paye to the kyng, after the rate of twenty pces purchase, so that the same prose and decree be had & made in maner and forme abovesaid within .x. yeres next after the date of the said letters patenttes.

In acte for the building of certain churches within the Cittie of York.

Where

Cap. ix.

Where in the auncient Cytie of Yorke and Suburbes of the same, there is many parishe churches, which heretofore the same beyng well inhabited and replenished with people, was good and honest lyvinges for learned incumbentes, by reason of the grev tythes of the cyche merchants & of the offerynges of a great multitude: whiche lyvinges is now so much decayed by the ruine & decaye of the said Cytie and of the trade of merchaundise there, that the reuenues & profittes of dyverse of the same benefices are at this present, not aboue the clere pecerly value of .xxvi. s. viii. d. so that a great sorte of theym are not a competent and honest lyving for a good curate: yee, and no person will take the cure, but that of necessitie ther is some chauntre pypst or elles some late religious pson beyng a stipendary taken and appoynted to the said Cure and Benefice, whiche for the moost parte are vnlarned and very ignorant persones, not hable to do any parte of their dueties: By reason wherof, the said Cytie is not only replenished with blynd guydes and pastors: but also the people much kept in ignorance, aswell of their dueties towards God, as also towards the kynges maiestie and the common wealthe of this realme, and to the great daungier of their soules: In consideracion wherof, and for the better relief & order of the said Cytie, it maye please the kynges maiestie by thassent of the Lordes spirituall & temporal, & the commons in this present Parliamēt assembled and by the auctorite of the same, that fro hensfurth yt shalbe lausfull to the Maiour and Recorder of the said Cytie, and to the ordinary or his deputy & .vi. Justices of peace in the said Cytie, to unite and knyt together the said parishes into a fewer number, that is to wyt, so many of the said parishes into one parish, as to them shalbe thought conuenient to be a lyving for one honest incumbent, so the clere pecerly value of one parish exceede not .xx. l. by yere, and so to procede thorough the sayde Cytie and Suburbes of the same. And that it shalbe lesul for the said Maiour, Recorder and Aldermen to pull downe the Churches, whiche they shall thynke superfluous in the said Cytie and Suburbes of the same, and to bestowe the same toward the reparacions and enlargement of the other Churches, of the Byddes in the said Cytie, and to the relief of the poore people. And further, that the said Maiour, Recorder, Ordinary, or his deputy and .vi. Justices of peace beyng Aldermen, shal allotte and appoynt the presentment and patronage of the Church so vnyted to the patrons of all the Churches, to knyt in one parish, that they maye make theyr presentmentes by turne, every one accordyng to their quantyte of hys former patronage.

Provyded allwayes and be yt enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that all suche incumbentes of the Churches aforesayde, that shalbe put downe by vertue of this Acte, shall haue the pecerly value of

their benefices after the rate they do paye tenthes during their lyues, in the full & scruples thereof in the church appointed for the parishes churches according to their former duties: And if they refuse to serve, then they only during their lyues to have þ third parte of the value as is aforesaid and to be paid at the handes of the incumbent of the parishes churches to be appointed. And it is enacted by the authority aforesaid that þ Incumbents of every suche Church, whiche by vertue of this acte shalbe made & ordered for þ parishes churches & wherunto any other parishes or parishes shalbe united, shall after the union therof, paye the tenthes to be due for the same to the kynges & his heires & successors of the same Church and of all other Churches therunto united & annexed. And the said incumbents of the parishes churches so united, to have no allowance of the incumbents of the churches so united therunto during their severall lyues, according to the rate & portion of þ churches so united as shalbe assigned by the abovesaid gloues having authority by this acte to unite the same. And the successor and successors of every suche incumbent of every suche church as shalbe made þ parishes church, and wherunto any Church and parishes shalbe united by force of this acte, shall paye or compound for the first frutes thereof at every suopdunice before his induction to the same, according to suche yearly value as suche church or churches as shalbe made a parishes church, and wherunto any church or churches, parishes or parishes shalbe united by force of this acte, shalbe of at the tyme of the union therof, and as if yt had bene of suche lyke yearly value at the tyme of making of þ statute for first frutes and Tenthes, and of no greater value, any ordinance, statute or lawe to the contrary notwithstanding.

Cap. 1.

In act for Exigentes and Proclamations in Wales, and in the Countie Palentine of Chester, and also in the Cytie of Chester.



Here in the high Courte of Parliamente, holden at Westmynster in the xxviii. yere of the moste prosperous reigne of the late famous kyng Henry the VIII. by the assent of the Lordes Spirituall and tempozal, and the commons assembled in the said high Courte of Parliamente: It was enacted and established by authority of the same parliament, that his highnes Dominion and principalltie of Wales, & all the shires, Landes, Tenementes, and other Dominions, within the said Dominion & principalltie of Wales, should be divided into shires, or Counties, that is to say the shires or Counties of Glamorga, Radnor, Brecknocke, & Armerthyn, Denbroke, Cardigan, Merioneth, & Montgomery, Flint, Carnarvon, Anglesey, & Denbigh, in every of whiche

saied Counties & Shires, indogest the officers perely appointed, it was then ordeyned, & there should be distinct & severall Shieriffes perely: & also where the Countie Palentine of Chester, & of the Cytie of Chester, be auncient & severall Counties Palentine of themselves, in al whiche saied Counties, the kynges writte hath not, nor yet doth not tume: So that the proclamacion awarded vpon any exigente against any person, or persones, in any actio, wherel processe of outlarie doth lye, accordyng to the statute made in the sixt yere of the reign of thesaied late kyng, shal not bee directed vnto the Shieriff, or Shieriffes of any of thesaied Shires or Counties, but vnto the Shieriff of the Countie next adioynyng: So & p partie dwellyng in any of thesaied Shires, or Counties, against whom any suche exigent & Proclamacion shalbe so awarded, shall not, nor can haue any knowledge of p same sute, or processe, by reason whereof, many of the persones inhabityng in thesaied Shires or Counties, wythout knowledge, or cause of sute, haue been wrongfully & vniustly belaged, to their vtter vndoyng: Be it therefore, & for diuers other good consideracions by p kyng our souereygn Lord, w p assent of p lordes spiritual & temporall, & the commons in this present parliamēt assembled & by the aucthoritie of thesame, enacted, ordeined, & established, that if, & whensoever, any writ of exigent, at any tyme after the first day of Aprill next comyng, shalbe awarded at p suite of p kyng, or of any other person, or persones, plaintiff, or plaintiffes, in any actio or suite, in any of the Courtes of our saied souereygn Lord the kyng: his heires, or successours, commonly called p kynges Benche, & the Common Place, against any person or persones, dwellyng in any of p aforesaid Counties in Wales, or in thesaied Counties Palentine of Chester, or of the Cytie of Chester, or in any of the: p then immediatly vpon p awardyng of euery suche exigent, p Justice, or Justices, before whom any suche writte of exigent, vpon suche sute or action, shalbe sued, shall haue full power and aucthoritie to award one writte of proclamacion, accordyng to p tenor & effecte of proclamacions awarded vps exigentes, directed out of any of thesaied Courtes, into London, against any pson, dwellyng in any other Shire, where p kynges writte is currant, accordyng to p orde & forme of thesaied statute made in the sixt yere of thesaied late kyng, to bee directed to suche of p aforesaid Shieriffes of any of p aforesaid Counties in Wales, & of p Counties Palentine of Chester, & of p Cytie of Chester, for p tyme beyng, where it shall happen thesaied defendaut, against who any suche action shalbe sued, as is aforesaid, to bee dwellyng: And that euery suche writte of Proclamacion shall haue thesame rest & daye of retorne, as p exigentes, wherups euery suche writ of proclamacio shalbe awarded, shal haue: And p euery suche Shieriff, to who any suche writ of proclamacio shalbe directed, shall make proclamacio of thesaied writ of proclamacio, accordyng to the tenor of thesame, and shall make true retorne of p same, in suche Courte, and before suche Justices, as p tenor of thesame

of the same writte, shall require and demaunde. And that all outlawries hereafter to be promulged or pronounced, against any person or persons, upon any such exigent or exigentes, awarded against any person or persons dwelling in any of the said Counties, of Wales, and of the Counties Palentine of Chester, & of the Cytie of Chester, and no writte of Proclamation awarded in forme abovesaid, to þe Sherief or Sheriefes of the Countie where the partie defendaunt shalbe, as is abovesaid dwelling, or not returned, to bee clerely voyde, and of none effect, nor force in the lawe.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that al & every Sherief and Sheriefes, of every of the said Counties of Wales, & of the Counties Palentine of Chester, & of the Cytie of Chester aforesaid, shal have in every of the said Courtes of the kynges Bêche, and of the Common Place one sufficient deputie at the least, to receiue all writtes directed to suche the Sherief or Sheriefes, for whom, the same deputie, or deputies shalbe appoynted in like maner and forme, and upon lyke penes, as by the former statutes and lawes of this realme, other Sheriefes of other Shires, or Counties within this realme of England, be bounden to haue, in eyther of the same Courtes: and that all writtes of Proclamation aforesaid, shalbe delivered vnto every suche deputie of Record in the same Courtes: and also like fees shalbe paid for makynge every suche writte of proclamation, and for enrolling the same of Record, as is limited in the sayed statute, made in the sayed sixte yere of the reigne of our said late souereygn Lord kyng Henry the eyght.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, þe if any person dwelling in any of the said Counties of Wales, after the aforesaid first day of April, shalbe outlawed in any suite or action aforesaid, that the writtes of special Capias utlagat, single Capias utlagat, nō molestand, & all other processe, for or against any person outlawed, shall, and maie fro thenforth be directed to the Shurief of any of the said Counties in Wales, as immediate officers to the kynges said Courtes, of the kynges Bêche or common Place, in that behalf: and that every suche writtes may be delivered of Record, to the deputie of suche of the said Sheriefes, to who any suche writte or processe, shalbe directed, & that every suche Shurief, shal make executio & retorne, of every suche writ of processe to hym directed, vpon like peyn & penaltie, as is aboue limited.

And be it further enacted, and established, þe if any suche writ or writtes of proclamacio hereafter directed to any of the Sheriefes, of any of the said Shires in Wales, or Counties Palentine of Chester, or of þe Cytie of Chester, be delivered vnto any of the said Sheriefes, for the tyme being, or to his, or their deputie, in maner & forme aforesaid: & the same Shurief or Sheriefes, do not make true retorne of every suche writ and writtes of proclamacio, into suche Court & Courtes, out of whiche the said writ or writtes of proclamacio shalbe awarded: that for every such default,

default, of none returne, euery such Schirel for the tyme beyng, shall fore & forfeit. v. l. the one haulfe thereof shalbe to our souerayn lord the kyng, his heires, and successors: the other haulfe to any such person or persons, as will sue for the same in an actio of debt, grounded vpon this acte, in any of þe kynges Courtes of Recorde, wherein tyme elopn, protection, or wager of lawe, shalbe allowed or admitted.

Þrouded alwaies, this acte, or any thyng therein contained, shall not in any wise extende, or be prejudiciall to the same Countie of Wales, or to the said Countie Palentine of Chester, or of the Cytie of Chester, for, or concernyng suche liberties, franchises, or privileges, as belong to them, or any of them, or to any ministers, or officers of them, or any of them, other wise, or in any other maner, then by the true meauing of this acte is before provided and declared: any thyng in this acte mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Þrouded alwaies, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that this acte, ne any thyng therein contained, shall not in any wise be prejudicial or hurtfull to any Lord, Marcher in Wales, but that they & euery of them, and their heires, and the heires of euery of them, shall & maye haue like libertie, interest and preheminence, as they, and euery of them, had, might, or ought to haue had before the makyng of this acte, and as though this acte had neuer been had, ne made: any thyng in this acte mentioned, to the contrary, in any wise notwithstanding.

Cap. xi.

An acte for the repeale of a certeyn statute, made in the. xxviii. yere, of the reigne, of the late King of moost famous memozy, Henry the. viii. for reuokynge of actes of Parliament.



Here in the Parliament begonne at Westmynster the xxviii. yere of the reigne, of the late kyng of famous memozy kyng Henry the. viii, it was enacted by the auctoritie of the sayd Parliament, that if the Emperiall crowne of this Realme, after the deceasse of þe sayd late kyng, should disceide, come or remayne to the heires of our late souerayn lord, or to any person to bee limited by his highnes, as of very right, it must & ought to do, accordyng to þe lawes of this Realme, established for the same, the said heires or such person, beyng within the age of. xxiii. yeres, & that the any acte or actes of Parliament, shoulde happen to be made and established in any Parliament, that then shoulde be holde before such heire or heires, person or persons, then beyng in possessio of the sayd crowne, shoulde be of their ful ages of. xxiii. yeres, that then euery such heire or heires, of our sayde late souerayn lord, or such person, so possessed of the crowne, beyng within the same age of. xxiii. yeres, shoulde haue ful power

power & authoritie at all tymes, after they shoulde come to their sayd
full ages of. xxiij. yeres, by their letters patentes, vnder the great seale
of England, to reuoke, aduull, & repel, al and singular such actes, made
& established by thes royal assentes, in any Parliament holden during
tyme, that they were within their sayd age of. xxiij. yeres, their royal
assentes had to thesame, during & tyne, that they were within thesame
age of. xxiij. yeres, or any acte or actes thereafter to be made, to the
contrary therof, notwithstanding. And it was also enacted by the auc-
thoritie aforesayd, that euerie such repeale, aduullacion, and reuocacio
of any acte or actes that shoulde be made and established in any Parlia-
ment holden before the tyme that suche heyres, or person possessed of &
croune, shoulde be of the sayd age of. xxiij. yeres, shoulde be as good &
effectuall, to al intentes & purposes, as though it had bene done by the
authoritie of Parliamente, as in the sayde acte is moze playnly decla-
red: With & making of whiche estatute, it hath pleased almighty God
to take vnto his mercy, our sayd late soueraign lord kyng Henry the. viij.
Our now moost gracious & dread soueraign liege lord, kyng Edward
the. vi. hys sonne and heyre (whose lyfe God longe preserve) now being
about the age of. x. yeres, and vnder the age of. xj. yeres, during whole
minoritie, as the common wealth of his highnes Realmes of England
and Ireland, and of all the dominions and countreys of thesame, is, &
moost necessarily oughte to be provided for, maynteyned, & preserved;
so is it & naturall duety of euerie good, true & louyng subject, to apply
him self with al hys power and diligence, to study, inuent, and practise
by al waies, meanes & maners, for the conseruacion of thesame. And for
asmuche as for the preseruacio of the royal estate, of our sayd soueraign
lord the kyng that now is, and the safegard and suertie of hys moost
royal person, and for the good tranquillite, quietnes, rest and peace of
his sayd Realmes, countreys, dominions and subiectes, aswell wholsome
lawes and statutes are to be ordeyned, established & provided, as also
some lawes & statutes to be repelled and aduulled, as the case shall re-
quyre, accordyng to the dispositio of the people, whiche cannot take any
good effectie or successe, without actes & prouisions of Parliament to be
made, before their ages of. xxiij. yeres: And for & it shoulde seme vnto
all men, that the good intencion, meanynge and purpose of the sayd late
kyng, & of the makers of the sayde estatute, was not, & good & wholsome
lawes, whiche shoulde be made, provided and ordeyned, for the good
gouernaunce of the Realmes and dominions abovesayd, during the ty-
me, & any kyng of thys Realme, shoulde be within thesayd age of. xxiij.
yeres, shoulde fro the tyme of the decessie of the auncellor or progeni-
tor of any such kyng, within the age of. xxiij. yeres, at the tyme of the
death of & sayde auncellor or progenitor, vntill the age of. xxiij. yeres,
of any suche kyng, be made, demed & adiudged to be voyd by any suche
lettres patentes, to al intentes & purposes, as though they neuer had bene
made,

made, but that thesaid actes and euery of the, and all and euery thyng and thynges vied, committed, doen, suffered, or executed by aucthoritie of thesame, should be good, available and persite in the lawe: And that thesaid reuocation, adnullacion and repeale, should be taken, to make voyde thesaid actes, and euery of them onely, from the tyme of thesaid reuocation, adnullacion and repeale, and not otherwise: The contrary entendement and exposition whereof, might otherwise, not onely discourage all subiectes during that tyme, and those yerres, to endeuoze themselves, to, and for the aduysing, setting furth, and consenting to the making of good and wholsome lawes: but also should cause thesaid subiectes, to adiudge and thinke themselves to liue for that tyme, vnder no manner of certenty or assuraunce of any positive law, or statute, during that tyme, to be made or prouided: bee it therefore enacted, by the kyng our soueraigne Lorde, with the assent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the aucthoritie of thesame, that thesaid acte of Parliament aboue recited, made in thesaid. xxviii. yere of the reigne of thesaid late kyng, and euery worde, article, clause, mater, sentence and thyng, therein specified and contained, shall, by aucthoritie of this present Parliament, be, to all intentes, constructions and purposes, utterly voyde, adnullled, repelled, and of none effect, and as though thesame had neuer bene had ne made. Neuerthelesse, to the intent the kynges Maiestie, our soueraigne lorde, maie haue power, aucthoritie, preeminence and prerogatiue at his full age of. xxiij. yerres, or at any tyme after, at his libertie and pleasure, to repelle all statutes and actes of Parliament, aswell made in this present Parliament, as hereafter in any other Parliament to be holden, before he shall accomplishe thesaid age of. xxiij. yerres, to bee made or ordeined, accordyng to the true intet and meanyng of the makers of thesaid former statute: bee it further ordeined and enacted by the aucthoritie of this present Parliament, that our said soueraigne lorde the kyng that now is, at his full age of. xxiij. yerres, or at any tyme after, and all, & euery heire, and heires of thesaid late kyng, and other persones and persones, to whom the Emperiall crowne of this Realme shall hereafter discende, come, or remain, by the appointment of thesaid late kyng, and by the statutes of this Realme in the tyme of thesame late kyng, in that case prouided and made, then beyng within the age of. xxiij. yerres, shall haue full power and aucthoritie, by vertue of this present acte, at all tymes, after he, or thei shall come to his, or their full age of. xxiij. yerres, by his, or their letters Patentes, vnder the greatesseale of Englands, to repelle all and singuler acte and actes, or any of them, as be, or shalbe made, or established, by his, or their royal assentes in any Parliament holden, or to be holden, during the tyme that he, or thei, was, were, or shalbe, within thesaid age of. xxiij. yerres, other then this present acte of Parliament, and other then all pardons graunted,

and to be graunted, within the said severall ages of .xxiii. yerres, by authority of Parliament, so that the same repeale bee made and bled in manner, and forme hereafter following, that is to saye, that every suche letters Patentes of repeale, shall containe all suche actes, as shalbe repelled, and shalbe solemnly and openly proclaimed in the kynges court of Chauncery, betwene the houres of .ix. and .xi. before none, at three severall daies, in every of twoos of the fourre usuall Termes, to be holden at Westminster, or els where, within this realme of Englande, and also one tyme in every countie of this Realme, and in Wales, at the severall Assises to be holden in the same severall counties, betwene like houres, and that then after fourtie daies, nexte after suche Proclamation, in all and every place and countie abovesaid, so had and made, the said letters Patentes of repeale, to take their force, strength and effecte, and not before, or from any other tyme or reason, nor in any other manner or forme. And that all and every suche acte and actes, aswell made in this Parliament, as hereafter to be made within the said age of .xxiii. yerres, of our soueraigne lord the kynges maiestie that now is, as in the tyme of any the said heire or heires, or other the said persone or persones, then beyng in possession of thynperiall crowne of this realme, and vnder the age of .xxiii. yerres, shalbee good and effectuell, to all intentes, constructions and purposes, untill the said letters Patentes of repeale, proclamations, and fourtie daies shalbe so had, made, runne, and passe: and that all, and every acte and actes, thing and thynges, bled, had, committed, doon, suffered or executed, by the authoritie of the said acte or actes, or any of them, within any of the said ages of .xxiii. yerres, accordyng to the purpose, tenor, and effecte of the said acte or actes, or any of them, shalbe good and effectuell for ever, the said repeale so to be made, in any wise notwithstanding. And that all and every persone and persones, bodies polittique and corporate, shall, and maie by the authoritie of this present acte, from tyme to tyme, aswell after the said repeale as before, pleade, or alledge, for his, or their defence, excuse, indemnitie, profite, benefite, or advantage, al and every suche acte and actes, or any of them, so revoked, adnulled or repelled, or to be revoked, adnulled or repelled, for, concernyng, or in any wise touchyng any thyng or thynges, had, bled, graunted, suffered, possessed, committed, doon or accrued by the authoritie, sufferance, or force of the said acte and actes, or any of the, before the revocation, adnullacion or repealyng of the same, in such, and as ample manner and forme, as if the said acte and actes so to be revoked, adnulled or repelled, and every of them, had stonde in his, and their full strength, force, and effecte, and as if the said acte or actes, had never been revoked, adnulled, or repelled: any thyng in suche repeale contained, notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and bee it also ordeined, and enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no kyng, nor kynges of this realme, shall have
 authoritie,

auctoritie, power or prerogative, to repelle any acte of Parliament or statute, that shalbe made in the tyme of any kyng, before the said age of xiiii. yeres, other then suche, as bee, or shalbee made in his owne tyme, any thyng aboue mencioned, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

The. xii. Chapter.

An acte for the repeale of certain statutes, concerning Treasons Felonies. &c.



Nothing beyng moze Godly, moze sure, moze to bee wished and desired, betwixte a Prince, the supreme hedde and ruler, and the subiectes, whose gouernour and hedde he is, then on the Princes part, great clemencie and indulgencie, and rather to muche forgiveness and remission of his royall power and iuste punishment, then exact seueritie and iustice to be shewed: & on the subiectes behaulfe, that thei should obeye rather for loue, and for the necessitie and loue of a kyng & prince, then for feare of his streight, and seuerel lawes: yet suche tymes, at some tyme cometh in the common wealth, that it is necessary and expedient, for the repressyng of the insolencie and vntulnes of menne, and for the foresyng and prouidyng of reamedies against rebellion, insurreccion, or suche mischiefes, (as God sometyme beyng with vs displeased, for our punishment doth inflict and laie vpon vs) or the deuill at Gods permission, to assaile the good and Gods electe, doth so we, and set among vs, the whiche almighty God, with his help and mannes pollicie, hath alwaies been content and pleased, to haue staied, that sharper lawes, as a harder byble, should bee made, to state those men, and factes, that might els bee occasion, cause and aucthoys of further inconuenience: The whiche thyng caused the Prince of moste famous memorie, kyng Henry the .vi. father to our said soueraine lord the kyng, and other his highnes progenitors, with the assent of the nobles and commons, at diuerse Parliaments, in their seuerall tymes holden, to make and enacte certain lawes and statutes, whiche might seme and appere to men of exteriour realmes, and many of the kynes maiesties subiectes, very streight, soze, extreme, and terrible, although thei were then, when thei wer made, not without greate consideracion and pollicie moued and established, and for the tyme, to the aduoydng of further inconuenience, very expedient and necessary. But as in tempest or winter, one course, and garment is conuenient, in calme or watme weather, a moze liberall case, or lighter garment, bothe male, and ought to be followed and vsed: So we haue seen diuerse streight and soze lawes made in our Parliament, the tyme so requirynge, in a moze calme and quiet reigne of another Prince, by the like auctoritie and Parliament

repelled, and taken a waie. The whiche moste high clemencie, and royal
all example of his Maiesties mooste noble progenitours, the kynges
highnes, of his tendre and Godly nature, mooste geuen to mercie and
loue of his subiectes, willing to followe: and perceiuyng the hartie and
syncere loue, that his mooste louyng subiectes, bothe the lordes and co-
mons, both beare vnto his highnes, now in this his Maiesties tendre
age, willing also to gratifie thesame therfore: and myndyng further to
prouoke his saied subiectes, with greate indulgencie and clemencie, shew-
ed on his highnes behalfe, to more loue and kyndenes towardes his
Maiestie (if it mase be) and vpon trust, that they will not abuse thesame
but rather be encoyaged thereby, more faithefully, and with more dili-
gence (if it mase be) and care for his maiestie, to serue his highnes now,
in this his tendre age, is contented and pleased, that the seueritie of cer-
tain lawes here followyng, be mittigated and remitted: Be it therefore
ordeined and enacted by the kyng our soueraigne lord, with the assent
of the lordes spirituall and tempozal, and of the commons in this pre-
sent Parliament assembled, and by the aucthoritie of thesame, that fro
hencefurth, none acte, dede, or offence, beyng by act of parliament or sta-
tute, made treason, or petit treason, by wordes, writyng, cypheryng, dedes
or other wise whatsoeuer, shalbe taken, had, demed, or adiudged to bee
high treason, or petit treason, but only suche as be treason or petit trea-
son, in, or by the acte of Parliament, or statute, made in the. xxv. yere of
the reigne, of the mooste noble kyng of famous memory, kyng Edward
the. iii. touchyng, or concernyng treason, or the declaracions of trea-
sons: and suche offences as hereafter shal by this present acte be expres-
sed and declared, to be treason or petit treason, and none other, nor that
any peynes of death, penaltie or forfaiture in any wise, ensue, or be, to
any of the offenders, for the doyng or committynge any treason, or petit
treason, other then suche, as be in thesaid estatute made in thesaid. xxv.
yere of the reigne, of thesaid kyng Edward the thirde, or by this present
estatute ordeined or provided: any acte or actes of parliament, statute or
statutes, had or made at any tyme heretofore, or after thesaid. xxv. yere
of the reigne, of thesaid late kyng Edward the thirde, or any other de-
claracion or matter to the contrary in any wise, notwithstanding.

And also be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that all actes of
Parliament, and estatutes, touchyng, mencionynge, or in any wise con-
cernyng religion or opinions, that is to saie, aswell the statute made, in
the first yere of the reigne, of the kynges noble progenitour, kyng Ri-
charde the seconde, and the statute made in the seconde yere of the rei-
gne of kyng Henry the fifth, and the statute also made in the. xxv. yere
of the reigne of kyng Henry the eight, concernyng punishment and re-
formation of Heretiques and Lollardes, and euery prouision therein
contained, and the statute made for the abolishment of diuersitie of o-
pinions, in certain Articles, concernyng Christian religion, commonly
called

called the five articles, made in the parliament, begun at Westminster, the. xxviii. date of Aprill, in the. xxxi. yere of the reigne, of the moste noble and victorious Prince, of moste famous memozy, kyng Henry the eight, father to our laied moste dread soveraigne Lord the kyng that now is: and also the acte of Parliament and statute, made at the Parliament, begun at Westminster, the. xvi. date of Januarie, in the. xxxiii. yere of the reigne, of the said late kyng Henry the eight, and after that propoged unto the. xxii. date of Januarie, in the. xxxiii. yere of the reigne of the said late kyng Henry the eight, touchyng, mencionyng, or in any wise concernyng booke of the Old, and Newe Testament in Englyshe, and the printyng, vttynyng, sellyng, geuyng or deliueyng, of booke, or booke, or booke, and receyvyng of Englysh booke or booke, and readyng, preachyng, teachyng, or expoundyng of Scripture, or in any wise, touchyng, mencionyng or concernyng, any of the same matters. And also one other statute, made in the parliament holden at Westminster, in the. xxv. yere of the reigne of the said late kyng Henry the. viii. concernyng the qualification of the statute of five Articles, and all and every other acte or actes of parliament, concernyng doctrine, or matters of Religion, and all, and every braunch, article, sentence, and matter, peines and forfaitures, contained, mencioned, or in any wise declared, in any of the same actes of Parliament, or statutes, shall, from hencefurthe be repelled, and utterly voyde, and of none effect.

And be it further ordeined and enacted, by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all offences made felony, by any acte or actes of Parliament, statute or statutes, made sithens the. xxiii. date of Aprill, in the first yere of the reigne, of the said late kyng Henry the eight, not beyng felony before, and also, all and every the branches and Articles, mencioned, or in any wise declared, in any of the same statutes, concernyng the making of any offence or offences to be felony, not beyng felony before, and all peines, and forfaitures, concernyng the same, or any of them, shall, from hencefurthe be repelled, and utterly voyde, and of none effecte.

And be it also ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that one acte made in the parliament, holden at Westminster, in the. xxxi. yere of the reigne, of the said late kyng Henry the. viii. that Proclamacions made by the kynges highnes, by the advice of his honorable counsaill should be obeyed and kept, as though they were made by auctoritie of parliament. And also one other acte made in the parliament, holden in the. xxxiii. yere of the reigne, of the said late kyng Henry the eight, for the due execution of the said proclamacions: and also, all and every branchise, article, and matter in the same statutes, and every of them mencioned, or declared, shall, from hencefurthe be repelled, and utterly voyde, and of none effecte.

And be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any persone or persons, at any tyme after the first date of Marche, next comyng, by

open preaching, expresse wordes or saynges, do affirme or selffurthe, that the kyng, his heires, or successours, kynges of this realme, for the tyme being, is not, or ought not to be supreme hedde in pearch, of the churche of Englande and Irelande, or of any of them, immediatly under God, or that the bishop of Rome, or any other persone, or persones; other then the kyng of England, for the tyme being, is, or ought to be by the lawes of God, supreme hedde of thesame Churches, or of any of the: or that the kyng, his heires or successours, kynges of this realme, is not, or ought not to be the kyng of Englande, Fraunce and Irelande, or of any of them: or after thesaid first date of Decree, do compass, or imagin by open preaching, expresse wordes, or saynges, to depose or depriue the kyng, his heires, or successours, kynges of this realme, from his, or their royall estate, or titles, to, or of the realmes aforesaid, or do openly publishe, or saie by expresse wordes or saynges, that any other person, or persons, other then the kyng, his heires, or successours, kynges of this realme, of right ought to be kynges of the realmes aforesaid, or of any of them, or to haue and enioye thesame, or any of them: that then every suche offender, being therof duely convicted, or attainted by the lawes of this realme, their aidours, comfortors, abbettoys, procurors, and counsaillors, for his or their suche first offence, shal lose and forfeit to the kyng, al his, and their gooddes, & cattalles: and also shal haue & suffer imprisonment of his, & their bodies, at the kynges will and pleasure. And if any persone, being once convicted or attainted of any of the said offences, shal, after his said conuiction or attinder, felonies commit or perpetrate any of the offences before mentioned, other then such, as bee expresse in thesaid estatute made in thesaid. xxv. yere of kyng Edward the thirde, and shalbe therof duely convicted or attainted, by the lawes of this realme: that then every suche offender, their aidours, comfortors, abbettoys, procurors and counsaillors, for his, or their said second offence, or offences, shal lose and forfeit to the kyng, the whole issues and profutes of all his; and their landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, benefices, prebendes, and other spirituall promotions for the terme of life of suche offender or offenders: and shal also lose and forfeite to the kyng, all his, and their gooddes, and cattalles, and also suffer, during his, and their lifes, perpetuall imprisonment, of his, and their bodies. And if any person, being two tymes hereafter convicted or attainted of any of thesame offences, shal, after his said second conviction or attinder, felonies commit or perpetrate again, any of thesaid offences, and be therof duely convicted or attainted by the lawes and statutes of this realme: that then every suche third offence or offences, shalbe denied and adiudged high treason; and the offender and offenders, their aidours, comfortors, abbettoys, procurors, and counsaillors, being therein convicted or attainted, according to the lawes and statutes of this realme, shalbe denied and adiudged high traitors, and shal suffer

**suffer pynnes of death, and lose and forfeite all their gooddes and cat-
talles, landes and tenementes, to the kyng, as in cases of high treason.**

And bee it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that if any person, or persons, at any tyme after thesaid first date of Marche next coming, by writyng, printyng, ouert deede or acte, do affirme, or set furth, that the kyng of this realme, for the tyme beyng, is not, or ought not to be supreme hedde in pearch of the church of England and Irelande, or of any of them, immediately vnder God: or shall, by writyng, printyng, ouert, deede, or acte, after thesaid first day of Marche, affirme, or set furth, that the Bishop of Rome, or any other persone, or persons, other then the kyng of Englande, for the tyme beyng, is, or ought to be by the lawes of God, or otherwise, the supreme hedde in pearch, of the same churches, or of any of them: or do, after thesaid first date of Marche, compasse, or unagin, by writyng, printyng, ouert deede, or acte, to depose, or depriue the kyng, his heires or successours, kynges of this realme, from his, or their royall estate, or titles of the kyng of Englande, Fraunce, and Irelande, or of any of them: or by any writyng, printyng, ouert deede, or acte, do affirme, that any other person, or persons, other then the kyng, his heires, and successours, is, or of right ought to be king of the realmes of Englande, Fraunce, or Irelande, or to haue and enioye thesame, or any of them: that then every suche offence and offences shall bee demed, and adiudged high treason, and the offendor and offendors, their aidors, comfortors, abettors, procurors, and counsaillors, therein conuicted or attainted, accordyng to the lawes and statutes of this realme, shall be demed and adiudged high traitors, and shall suffer peines of death, and lose and forsaicte all their gooddes and cattalles, landes and tenementes, to the kyng, as in cases of high treason.

promised alwaies, and bee it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that this statute, or any thing therein contained, shall not in any wise extend, to repell, adnuill, or make frustrate or boyde any acte or actes of Parliament, statute or statutes, made, concerning the counterfeityng or forging of any of the copyes of this Realme, or of the copie of any other realme or realmes, currante within this realme, or for clipping, washing, or filing of any of the said copyes, or for, or concerning the bringyng into this realme, of counterfeit money or copie: ne to any statute made in the xxviii. yere of the said late kyng Henry the viii. concerning the fals forgynge and counterfeityng of the kynges signes manerli, private signate, or private seale, ne to thett counsaillors, procurours, iudors, and abbetours, ne to any article or branche, concerning thesame offences, or any of them, contained in thesame statutes, or any of them.

And bee it further enacted by the authorities aforesaid, that if any the better of the King, our said Sovereigne Lorde that no one is, or any persons or persones, to whom the crowne and dignitie of this realme is

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limited and appointed by the acte of Parliament, made in the first yere of the reigne of the said late King Henry the eight, or the heires of any of them, do at any tyme hereafter, usurpe the one of them upon the other, in the crowne of this realme, or demand, challenge, or claime the same, otherwise, or in any other forme or degre of discent, or succession or in any other courte, forme, degre, or condicion, but only in suche manner and forme, as is declared by the said statute: or if any of the said heires, or persones aforesaid, do interrupte, or let the saynges highnes that now is, peaceably and quietly to kepe, haue, and enioye, the said imperiall crowne: that then, all and singuler the offenders, their aidors, comfortors, abettors, procurors, and counsaillors therein, shalbee deemed and adiudged high traitors, and shall suffer, and incurre the paynes of death, losses and forfeitures, as is aforesaid in cases of high treason.

And it is further ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that no persone or persones, that heretofore hath been, or at any tyme hereafter shalbee in due forme of the lawes attainted or convicted of murder of malice prepenised, or of poisoning of malice prepenised, or of breaking of any house by daye or by night, any persone beyng then in the same house, where the same breaking heretofore hath been, or hereafter shalbee committed, and heretofore hath been, or hereafter shalbee thereby put in feare, or dyed, or of, or for robbing of any person or persones, in the high wale, or nere to the high wale, or for felonious stealing of horses, geldynges or vares, or of felonious takyng of any gooddes, out of any parische Church, or other Church or Chappel, or beyng indicted or appealed of any of the same offences, and thereupon found gyltie, by verdict of twelve men, or shall confesse the same upon his or their arraignment, or will not answer directly, accordyng to the lawes of this realme, or shall stand wilfully, or of malice mute, shal not be admitted to haue or enioye the priuilege or benefite of his cleargie or Sanctuary, but shalbe put from the same: and that in all other cases of felony, other then suche, as be before mencioned, all and singuler persone, and persones, whiche after the firste daye of Marche next commyng, shalbe arraigned or found gyltie, vpon his or their arraignment, or shall confesse the same, or stand mute, in forme aforesaid, or will not answer directly in forme aforesaid, shall haue and enioy the priuilege and benefite of him, or their cleargie, the libertie and priuilege of Sanctuary, in like manner and forme as he, or they might or should haue done before the firste daye of April, in the firste yere of the reigne of the said late King Henry the eight.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all clauses, articles, and sentences, mencioned, or specified in any acte or actes of Parliament, statute, or statutes, made in the tyme of the reigne of the said late King Henry the eight, touchyng, or in any wise concernyng

concernyng any maner of chalenge, for the Countie, Hundreth, or De-
remptorie chalenge, or any of them; or touchyng, or in any wise concer-
nyng any maner of trial of forrein pleas, pleaded by murderers, felons,
or other offenders, shall, as concernyng thesaid chalenges and trialles
remain in their force and strength, not repelled, any thyng in this acte,
mencioned, soundyng or seynyng, to the contrary in any wise, notwith-
standinge.

Provided also, and be it ordeined and enacted by the aucthoritie a-
foresaid, that this acte of Parliament, or any thyng therein mencioned,
as concernyng the repeale of any estatute or estatutes, made, touchyng
treason, or misprision of treason, shall not in any wise geue any maner
of benefite, aduantage, or comoditie, to any persone, or persones, be-
yng the last day of October last past, arrested, or imprisoned for trea-
son, petit treason, or misprision of treason, or to any person, or persones,
heretofore beyng indicted of treason, petit treason, or misprision of trea-
son, or to any other persone, or persones, beyng likewise convicted, out-
lawed or attainted of treason, petit treason, or misprision of treason: or
beyng fled beyonde the seas, or into Scotlande, before thesaid last day
of October laste paste, for any treason, petit treason, or misprision of
treason: But that they, and every of them, shall suffer suche paynes of
death, losses and forsaictures, of landes, and gooddes, as in cases of
treason, as though this acte had neuer been had or made: any thyng in
this acte, to the contrary in anywise, notwithstandyng. And that the la-
wes and statutes, repelled by this acte, shall stande against them, and
every of them, in full strength, vertue, force, and effecte, concernyng all,
and every offence by them, or any of them, heretofore committed or doen.

Provided also, and bee it ordeined and enacted by the aucthoritie a-
foresaid, that all wilfull kylling, by poysonyng of any persone, or per-
sones, that at any tyme hereafter shalbe doen, perpetrated, or committed,
shalbe aduindged, taken and demed, wilfull murders, of malice prepen-
sed: and that the offenders therein, their aidors, abettors, procurors,
and counsaillors shall suffer death, and forsaicte in every behalfe, as in
other cases of wilfull murder, of malice prepensted.

And ouer that, be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that in all
and every case and cases, where any of the kynges maiesties subiectes,
shall and may vpon his prayer haue the priuilege of cleargie as a clerke
convicted, that may make purgation, in all those cases, and every of the;
and also in all, and every case and cases of felony, wherein the priuilege
and benefite of cleargie is restreyned, excepted, or taken awaye by this
estatute, or acte (wilfull murder, and poysonyng of malice prepensted,
only excepted) the lordes and lordes of the Parliament, and pere and
peres of the realme haubyng place and voyce in Parliament, shall, by
vertue of this present acte, of common grace, vpon his, or their request
or prayer, alledgyng that he is a lord, or pere of this realme, and clai-
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ming the benefite of this acte, though he cannot read, without any but-
nyng in the hande, losse of inheritaunce, or corruption of his blood, bee
iudged, demed, taken and vled for the firste tyme onely, to all ententes,
construccions and purposes, as a clerke conuicted, and shalbe in case of
a clerke conuicted, whiche maye make purgation, without any further,
or other benefite, or privilege of cleargie, to any suche lord, or peer, fro
thencefurthe at any tyme after, for any case to be allowed, adiudged, or
admitted: any lawe, statute, vsage, coustome, or any other thynge, to the
contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, that if any of the said lordes of the Parliament,
or any of the peers of this realme, for the tyme beyng, shall fortune to
be indicted of any of the offences, limited in this acte: That then, thei
and every of them, shall have his, or their triall, by their peers, as it
hath been vled heretofore in cases of high treason.

And be it further enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that if any per-
sone, or persons, that by this statute, or by any other statutes, or lawes
of this realme, ought to have, or bee admitted, to the benefite of his, or
their cleargie: that the same persone and persones, shalbe, from hence-
furthe, admitted and allowed, to have his, or their cleargie, although
thei, or any of them have been diverse and sundery tymes married to
any synge woman, or synge women, or to any widowe, or widowes, or
to twoo wives, or mo: any lawe, statute, or vsage, to the contrary in any
wise notwithstanding.

And over that, it is ordeyned and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid,
that albeit any persone, or persones, of what estate, conditio, or
degre, he, or thei be, shall hereafter fortune to be attainted, conuicted, or
outlawed of any treason, petit treason, misprision of treason, murder,
or felonie, whatsoever: yet that notwithstanding, every woman, that is
or shal fortune to be wife of the persone so attainted, conuicted, or out-
lawed, shalbe endowable and enabled to demaunde, have and enjoy
her dowet, in like maner and forme, as though her husbände had not
been attainted, conuicted, or outlawed: any statute, lawe, vsage, or cou-
stome, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. Saving to all and
every other person, and persons, bodies politique and corporate, their
heires and successors, and to every of them, other then to suche offendors
or offendors, as shalbe attainted, conuicted, or outlawed, all suche right,
title, interest, entre, leasses, possession, conditio, profit, commoditie, and
hereditamentes, as thei, or any of them had, or should, or of right ought
to have, before, or at the tyme of the said attainder, conviction, or vlla-
gare.

Provided also, and bee it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that
one acte made at the Parliament holden at Westminster, upon diverse
prorogacions, the .iiii. date of February, in the .xxviii. yere of the said late
kyng Henry the .viij. and there continued and kept, until the .xxiii. date
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of Apriill then nexte ensuyng, concernyng and touchyng the felonious takinge awaie by any seruant, the gooddes or cattalles of the master, or Maisters, and all articles, and sentences conteyned in thesame acte, shall stande, bee, and remain in full strength, force, and effecte, in suche manner and forme, as it did befoze the makyng of this present acte, the repeale, or reuocation of the actes abovesaid, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided allwaie, and bee it enacted by the auctoritie abovesaid, that no persone, or persones, shall in any wise bee impeached, or put to answer, for any of the offences abovesaid, concernyng treasons, by open preachyng, or woordes onely, onlesse the partie offendour, or offenders, be therof accused, within .xxx. daies, next after thesame open preachyng, or woordes, so spoken or declared, if the accusours shall fortune to be within this realme, during thesaid space of .xxx. daies, next after the said offence committed, or doon. And if the accusours shall happen to be out of this realme, during thesaid space of .xxx. daies: then the partie, or parties so offendyng, shalbe accused, as is aforesaid, within sixe monethes, next after thesame preachyng, or woordes so spoken or declared: or els the partie or parties, so offendyng, their aidours, comfortours, abettours, and counsaillours, or any of them, not to be impeached, or put to answer for any suche offence, or offences: And that thesame accusation, or accusations, so to bee had, made and declared, shalbee made to one of the kynges counsaill, or to one of the kynges Justices of Assise, or els to one of the kynges Justices of peace, beyng of the Quorum, or to two Justices of the Peace, within the Shire, where thesame offence, or offences, shall happen to be doon or committed: any thyng conteyned in this acte, to the contrary therof in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, and bee it declared and enacted, by the auctoritie abovesaid, that concelement, or keepyng secrete any high treason, shalbe fro hencefurthe adiudged, demed and taken, misprision of treason, and the offendour therein, shall forfeite and suffer, as in cases of misprision of treason, as heretofore hath been vided: Any thyng aboue mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, and bee it declared and enacted by the auctoritie abovesaid, that this acte, or any thyng therein conteyned, shall not extend, to charge, or make any person, or persones, to be offendour, or offenders, in any of the articles abovesaid, for callyng, namyng, sayyng, writyng, or printyng, the frenche kyng, for the tyme beyng, by the name of the kyng of Fraunce, or frenche kyng: Any thyng aboue declared or enacted, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided allwaies, and bee it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that no persone, or persones, after the first daie of February nexte comyng, shalbee indicted, arraigned, condemned, or convicted, for any offence of treason, petit treason, misprision of treason, or for any woordes befoze

before specified, to bee spoken after the said first date of February, for
whiche, the same offender, speaker, offenders, or speakers, shall in any
wise suffer any penes of death, imprisonment, losse, or forfeiture of his
goodes, cattalles, landes or tenementes: onlesse the same offendour,
speaker, offenders, or speakers, be accused by twoo sufficiente and law-
full witnesses, or shall willingly, without violence, confesse the same.

Che. xiii. Chapter.

28 In acte for a Subsidy of tonnage and poundage of marchaund-
ises, with a prouiso for the confirmation of the priuileges of the mar-
chauntes of the Wylllyarde, whiche prouiso shall indure
but onely to the ende of this Parliament.



In their moste humble wise shewen vnto your moste
excellent Maiestie, your pooze Commons in this
your present Parliament assembled, that where as-
well your moste dearest father of famous memorie
kyng Henry the eight, as also your moste worthy
graunde father kyng Henry the seventh and other
your noble Progenitours kynges of this your
realme of Englande, tyme out of mynde, haue had
graunted vnto them and enioyed of the Commons of the same realme
for the tyme beyng, by auctoritie of parliament, for the defence of the
same, now your realme, and the keepyng and sauēgarde of the seas for
the entercourse of marchaundise, safely to come into the same your realme,
and to passe out of the same, certain sommes of money, named subsidies
of all maner of goodes and marchaundises, commyng in, or goyng out
of the same your realme. And forasmuche as we your said pooze Com-
mons haue perceiued your maiesties good fauor and will towards vs
your said pooze Commons, had aswell in the defence of vs, and this
your realme, against your rebels the Scottes, as also the keepyng and
sure defendyng of the seas against all persones, intendyng the distur-
baunce and inuasion of this your realme, and vs your said commons
to our greate comfote and reioysyng, as cause requireth, and to your
maiesties greate costes, charges, and expenses, and also not doubtyng
the sequelle of the same, if neede shall require: Wee therefore your said
pooze Commons, as bounden of duetie, humbly desire your excellent
Maiestie, benignely and fauorably to take, accepte and receiue these
oure pooze grauntes hereafter insuyng, as graunted of true hartes
and good willes, whiche wee beare to your highnes towards your
said greate costes, charges and expenses, aswell heretofore expended
and layed out, as hereafter by your Maiestie for the causes afore-
said, when neede shall require, to bee expended and layed out, as
the first frutes of our good willes and hartes towards your highnes
although the same do, or hereafter shall nothyng in effect counteruaile
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your said costes, charges and expenses, whiche he be not habile fully to gratifie by any means. firsse, we your pooze Commons by the aduise and assent of the Lordes spirituall and tempozall, in this your present parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of thesame, to the intent aforesaid, geue and graunt to you our said soueraigne lord, one subside called *Coynage*, that is to say, of every tunne of wine commyng, or that shall, or is come into this your realme, by wate of marchaundise, the summe of.iii. s. and so after the rate: And of every tunne of swete wine, aswell *Walmesey* as other, that shall, or is come into thesame your realme, by euery, or any marchaunt *Alien*, aswel by the marchauntes of *Hauise* and *Almain*, as by any other marchaunt *Stranger*, of what nation soeuer he be, .iii. s. and so after the rate, ouer and aboue the.iii. s. afore graunted. And of every stone of *Reynish* wine commyng, or that shall, or is come into this your realme by way of marchaundise, by euery, or any marchaunt denison or alien, of what nacio soeuer he be, .xii. s. And also one other subside called *Poundage*, that is to saie, of all maner of gooddes and *Marchaundises*, of every *Marchaunt* Denison and alien whatsoeuer he be, caried and to be caried out of this your said realme, or brought, or to be brought into thesame by wate of marchaundises, of the value of euery. xx. s. of thesame gooddes and marchaundises. xii. s. and so after the rate. And of euery. xx. s. value of tynne and pewter vessell caried out of this your realme, by any & euery marchaunt alien. xii. s. ouer and aboue the. xii. s. aforesaid. Excepte alwayes and forpyssed out of this graunt of subside of poundage, all maner of wolle clothe made and wrought, or that shalbe made & wrought within this your realme of Englande, and by euery, or any marchaunt denison and not bozne alien, caried or to be caried out of this your said realme, and all maner wolle, wollefelles, and hydes and backes of lether also caried or to be caried out of this your realme: and all wynges and all maner freshfish and bestiall, commyng, or that is, or shall come into thesame your realme.

And further we your said pooze commons by the aduise, assent and auctoritie aforesaid, geue and graunt vnto you our said soueraigne lord, for the causes aboue reherced, one other subside of all maner of Wolle, Wollefelles and lether, caried or to be caried out of this your realme in maner and forme folowynge, that is to say, of every marchaunt denison, of & for every sacke of wolle. xxxiii. s. iiij. d. And of every. C. xl. wollefelles. xxxiii. s. iiij. d. And of & for every last of hydes and backes, of every such marchaunt denison. iii. l. vi. s. viii. d. And also of every marchaunt *Stranger*, not bozne your lige man, aswell those that be made denisons, as hereafter shalbe made by letters patentes or otherwise, as all other marchaunt *Strangers*, of and for every sacke of wolle. iii. l. vi. s. viii. d. And of and for euery. C. xl. wollefelles. iii. l. vi. s. viii. d. And also of every last of hydes and backes. iii. l. viii. s. iiij. d. And so of

all the said wolle, wolleselles, hydes and backes, and every of them after the rate that so is or shalbe caryed: To have, take, enjoye and perceive the subsidies aforesaid, and every of them, and every part and percell of them to your highnes, from the first daie of your most noble reigne, during your life naturall.

And further we your said poore Commons most humbly desire your maiestie that it maie be enacted by your highnes, by the advise and assent of the lordes aforesaid, and by your said Commons, and by the foresaid auctoritie of this present parliament assembled, that the giftes and grauntes aforesaid, shalbe good and effectuell accordyng to the true meanyng of the same. And that it maie bee further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any wynes, gooddes, marchaundises, wolles, wolleselles, hydes & backes of lether aforesaid, or other thynges aforespecified, wherof the subsidies aforesaid, or any of the same shalbe hereafter due, shall at any tyme hereafter during the tyme aforesaid, be shipped or put into any Boate, Crayer, Ship or vessel, to that intent to bee caryed into the partes of beyond the sea, or els be brought from the partes of beyond the sea, into any Port, Haven, Creeke, or other place of this your realme by waie of marchaundise, and there laied on lande, the Subsidy aforesaid of the same, (due or to bee due by reason of this graunt) not paid, or the Collectors of the same subsidy not agreed with for the same, accordyng to the true meanyng and intent of these aforesaid grauntes, and every of them: that then from the firste daie of Marche nexte comyng, and not before, all the said wynes, gooddes, marchaundises, wolles, wolleselles, hydes and backes, and other the premisses aforesaid, and every parte and percell thereof so shipped, or els put into any Boate, Crayer or other vessel aforesaid, to the intent aforesaid, or brought into this realme, & there laied on lande as is also aforesaid, shal remain forfeit to your highnes, during the tyme aforesaid: the one moortie therof, or the value thereof to your highnes, and the other moortie to hym or them that shal seaze the same or sue for the same. And that it maie please your highnes that all marchauntes, aswell denizens as straungiers, comyng into this your realme, be wel and honestly intreated and demeaned, as they were in the tyme of your aforesaid noble progenitors, without oppression to them to bee doen, payng the subsidies aforesaid.

And further, that it be enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any gooddes, marchaundises, wolles, wolleselles or lether aforesaid, or any part thereof, of any marchaunt demise, naturally bozne your liege man, which shall passe out of this your said realme, after the said first daie of Marche, during the tyme of this gifte and graunt, shall happen to be taken with enemies or Pirates upon the sea, or perished by infortune in any ship or shippes, that shall happen to be taken or perished within the tyme of the said graunt, wherof the subsidies aforesaid or any

of theim to your highnes due or to bee due, is, or shalbe in forme aforesaid duly paid or agreed for, without fraude or collusion, and suche losse or losses as been before rehersed, bee found and proued before the Threasorer of Englande, or the chief Baron of your Exchequer for the tyme beyng, by the examination of thesame marchauntes, if thei bee on liue, or of their executors or administrators if thei bee dedde, or twoo true credible persones sworne, or other reasonable witnesses and proofes sworne, witnessyng thesame marchaundises so to be lost or perished, that then thesame marchauntes denizons, that wer or shalbe owners of the aforesaid gooddes, marchaundises, wolles, wolleselles, hides or other marchaundises aforesaid, as shalbe so perished or lost, if thei bee on liue, or their executors and administrators if thei be dedde, and euery of theim, by force and vertue of this acte when theim liketh, durynge thesaid tyme, shall now ship asmuche wolles, wolleselles, hides or other marchaundise in thesame Port or Portes, in whiche thesame wolles, wolleselles, hides or other gooddes and marchaundises aforesaid, so lost and perished, wer or shalbe shipped without any of the Subsidies aforesaid, now graunted, to be had or paid therfore to you in any wise and that all suche proofes of the premises so to bee losse or perished, bee certified into your Chauncery by your said Threasorer or chief Baro there to remain of Record, and after suche certificat made, the Chauncelor of Englande, or the lord keper of your greute seale, for the tyme beyng, do make and deliuer vnto thesaid marchauntes, their executors or administrators or any of theim, or to their attorney or attorneyes in that behaulfe, or any of them, asmany and suche wryttes and warrauntes, to be directed aswell to the Collectors of the Subsidies aforesaid, or any, or euery of theim for the tyme beyng, as to the Threasorer and Barons of your Exchequer for the tyme beyng, as shalbe requisite and nedefull for thesaid marchauntes, their executors or administrators, or their attorney or attorneyes or any of them, or thesaid Collectors or any of them, to haue for the obteinyng, aswell of the shippynge, as of allowance therof: And further that euery marchaunt denizon, that shall ship hereafter any wolles, wolleselles, hides, or any other gooddes and marchaundises in any Carricke or Galley, shall paie to your maiestie durynge the tyme aforesaid, all maner of Customes and all the Subsidies aforesaid, as any alien bozne out of this your realme.

Provided alwaies, that no acte, statute or ordinaunce, had, made or to be made in this present parliament, be in any wise hurtfull or prejudiciall vnto the marchauntes of the Hanse in Almayn, haupng the house in the citee of London, commonly called Guilhalda Theutoniceum, nor to any franchises, liberties or priuileges to them or their predecessors before this tyme had, agreed, graunted or confirmed, nor to any lawfull vsages by them or by their predecessors before this tyme vsed, but that thesaid marchauntes and their successors, haue, holde and enioye all

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their said franchises, liberties and free usages, according to such grants, confirmations and agreements, as by the kyng and his noble progenitors kynges of Englande haue been agreed, made & granted and had to the said marchauntes or their predecessors, and according to their lawfull usages in euery thing, by whatsoeuer other name or names, the same marchauntes or any of them bee called or named, any acte, statute, or ordinaunce made or to be made in this present parliament to the contrary notwithstanding. This present prouiso to endure and continue vnto the ende of this present parliament.

The. xliij. Chapter.

In acte, whereby certain Chauntries, Colleges, free Chapelles, and the possessions of the same, be geuen to the kynges Maiestie,



THE kynges moste louyng subiectes, the lordes spiritual and temporall and the commons in this present parliament assembled, considering that a great part of supersticion and errors in Christian religion hath been brought into the myndes and estimation of men, by reason of the ignorance of their very true and perfecte saluacion, through the death of Iesus Christ, and by deuising and phantasying vain opinions of Purgatorie, and Masses satisfactorie to be doen for the, which be departed: The whiche doctryne and vain opinion, by nothyng moze is maintained, and vpholden, then by the abuse of Centalles, Chauntries, and other prouisions, made for the continuance of the said blindness and ignorance: And further considering and vnderstandyng, that the alteration, chaunge, and amendement of the same, and conuerting to good and Godly vles, as in erectyng Grammar schooles to the education of yowthe in vertue and Godlines, the further augmentyng of the vniuersities, and better prouision for the poore and neddy, cannot in this present parliament be prouided and conueniently doen, nor can not ne ought to any other maner person be committed, then to the kynges highnes, whose Maiestie, with, and by the aduise of his highnesse moste prudent counsaill, can and will moste wisely, and beneficially, bothe for the honoz of God, and the weale of this his maiesties realme, orde, alter, conuerte, and dispose the same: And calling further to their remembraunce, that in the parliament holden at Westminster the. xxxviij. yere of the reigne of our late soueraigne lord kyng Henry the eight, father to our moste dread, and naturall soueraigne Lord, the kyng, that now is: It was ordeined, enacted, and established amongst other thinges, that al and synghuler Colleges, free Chapelles, Chauntries, Hospitallles, fraternities, Brotherheddes, Guildes, and other promotions, mencioned in the said former acte, had or made, to haue continuance

in perpetuities for ever, and then bring, or that had, or ought to be contributed, or chargeable to the payment of the first fruits and tenths, according to the laws and statutes in that behalf made, by what name, surname, degree, or corporation, they, or any of them, were founded, ordained, established, erected, named, called, or known: and all and singular the mansion, houses, manours, orchards, gardens, landes, teneementes, pastures, wooddes, waters, rtes, reuercions, seruices, commons, tithes, pensions, portions, churches, chapelles, aduouctions, nominacions, patronages, annuities, rights, interestes, entrees, cōdicions, leetes, courtes, liberties, privileges, franchises, & other hereditamentes whatsoever, then apperteyning, or belonging, or that did appertain, or belong, or were assigned or appointed, to any such College, free Chapel, Chauntry, Hospital, Fraternitie, brotherhed, guild, stipendary priest, or other thesaid promotions, or to any of them, or accepted, known, or taken as part, parcell or membre of the, or any of the: & to thesaid Colleges, Chauntries, free Chapels, Hospitalles, Fraternities, Brotherhed, guild, stipendary priest, or other promotions, or to any of the, united, or annexed: whiche betwene the.iii. daie of February, in the. xxvii. yere of thesaid late kynges reigne, & the. xxv. day of December in the. xxvii. of his graces reigne, by reason of any entree, expulsio, bargain, sale, feoffment, fine, recovery, lease, or other conueiaunce therof made, was dissolved, determined or relinquished, by any of the waies, meanes, or conueiaunces, mencioned in thesaid acte, or otherwise, other then suche of them, as then were in the possession of thesaid late kyng, or that were graunted, or assured by his licence, agreement, consent, or letters patentes, to any person, or persones, or then had been lawfully obtained, or recovered by any person, by any former right, or title, without fraude, or couen, or by the kynges licence, should from thencefurthe by auctoritie of thesame former acte, be adiudged and demed, and also be in the very actual and reall possession, and seison of thesaid late kyng, & of his heires and successors for ever: in as large and ample maner, as thesaid priestes, wardenes, masters, ministers, gouernours, rulers, or other incumbentes, or any of them, or the patrons, doners, or founders of them, or of any of the at any tyme sythens thesaid fourth daie of February, in the. xxvii. yere aforesaid, had, occupied or enioied, or then had, occupied, or enioied the same, and as though all and singular thesaid Colleges, Chauntries, Hospitalles, free Chapelles, Fraternities, Brotherheddes, Guildes, and other thesaid promotions, and thesaid manours, landes, teneementes, hereditamentes, and other the premises whatsoever they be, and euery of them had been in thesaid former acte, specially, particularly, and certainly, rehearsed, named, and expessed, by expresse wordes, names, surnames, incorporacions, titles and faculties, and in their naturall kyndes and qualities, thesaid entrees, expulsions, bargaynes, sales, fines, feoffementes, recoveries, or other assurance, and conueighaunce whatsoever.

that they were had or made (excepted before in the former acte excepted)
 so the contrary notwithstanding. And where it was enacted and graun-
 ted to the said late kyng, by the said former acte, that the same late kyng,
 during his naturall life, might make, and direct, his commission, and
 commissions, vnder his great seale, to enter, into all and singular such
 and aliaunty Chauntries, free Chapelles, Hospitalls, Colledges, and
 other the promotions mencioned in the said former acte, and into all,
 and singular such manours, manions, houses, messes, landes, tene-
 mentes, pastures, wooddes, waters, rentes, reuercions, seruices, posses-
 sions, and other hereditamentes, whatsoeuer, or into any part, or partel
 thereof, in the name, sealon, and possession of all the hereditamentes, an-
 nexed, whited, belongyng, or apperteynyng, to any Chauntry, Hospitall
 free Chapell, Colledge, Fraternitie, Brotherhedde, Gynlde, or other the
 said promotions, or wherof any prestes, prouostes, gouernours, rulers,
 or other incumbentes of theim, or any of them, by what name, surname,
 degre, title, or corporacion, thei, and euery of them, or any of them were
 founded, erected, ordeined, established, named, called, or knowen, then
 had, or enioyed, or that hereafter should haue or enioy, to the said chan-
 treis, Hospitalls, free Chapelles, Colledges, Fraternities, Brotherhed-
 des, Gynldes, or other the said promotions, that then were chargeable
 to the payment of the first frutes, and tenthes: And all Colledges that
 wer chargeable, or not chargeable, to the said payment of the first frui-
 tes, and tenthes, as is aforesaid, or to any of them, or should be named,
 expressed and appoynted in the said commission or commissions: And to
 seise and take the same Chauntries, Hospitalls, Colledges, free Cha-
 pelles, Fraternities, Brotherheddes, Gynldes, and other the said pro-
 motions, Manours, Landes, Tenementes, and other the premises
 mencioned in the said Commission, or Commissions, and in euery
 of theim, and euery parte, partell, and membre of the same, into the
 kynges possession and handes, to haue and to holde the same to the said
 late kyng, and to his heires and successors for ever, as by the said
 former acte enongest other thynges, more at large appereth: It is
 now ordeined, and enacted by the kyng our soueraigne Lorde, with
 the assent of the Lordes and Commons in this present Parliament
 assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that all maner of Colled-
 ges, free Chapelles, and Chauntries, haunyng, beyng, or in esse, within
 five yeres next before the firste date of this present parliament, whiche
 were not in actuall and reall possession of the said late kyng, nor in the
 actuall and reall possession of the kyng our soueraigne lorde, that now
 is, nor excepted in the said former acte, in forme abovesaid, other then
 such, as by the kynges commissions in forme hereafter mencioned, shal-
 be altered, transposed or chaunged: And all manours, landes, tenemen-
 tes, rentes, tithes, pencions, porcions, and other hereditamentes, and
 thynges aboue mencioned, belongyng to the, or any of them: and also all
 manours

Manours, landes, Tenementes, Rentes, and other hereditamentes, and thynges aboue mencioned, by any maner of assuraunce, conueighaunce, wille, deuise, or otherwise, had, made, suffered, knowledged, or declared, geuen, assigned, limited, or appoynted, to the findyng of any prieste to haue continuance for euer: And wherewith, or wherby, any priest, was susteyned, mainteyned, or founde, within five yerres, next before the firste date of this present parliament, whiche wer not in the actuall and reall possession of thesaid late kyng, nor in the actuall and reall possession, of our souereigne lord the kyng, that now is: and also, all annuall rentes, profites, and emolumentes, at any tyme within five yerres nexte before the beginnyng of this present parliament, employed, paid, or bestowed towarde, or for the maintenaunce, suppoztacion, or findyng of any stipendary priest, intended by any acte, or writyng to haue continuance for euer, shall by thauthozitie of this present Parliament, immediatly after the feast of Easter nexte comyng be adiudged and demed, and also be in the very actuall and reall possession and season of the kyng our souereigne Lorde, and his heires, and successors, for euer, without any office or other inquisicio therof to be had or found, and in as large and ample maner and forme, as the priestes, wardens, masters, ministers, gouernours, rulers, or other incumbentes of them, or of any of the, at any tyme within five yerres next before the beginnyng of this present Parliament, had, occupied, or enioyed, or now hath, occupieth, or enioyeth thesame, and as though all and synguler, thesaid Colledges, free Chapelles, Chauntreys, Stipendaries, Salaries of Priestes, and thesaid manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, and other the premises whatsoeuer thei be, and euery of them, were in this present acte specially, particularly, and certainly, reherfed, named, and expresse, by expresse wordes, names, surnames, coppozacions, titles and faculties, and in their natures, kyndes, and qualities.

And ouer that, bee it ordeined and enacted by the aucthoritie of this present Parliament, that where any manours, landes, tenementes, tithes, pencions, porcions, rentes, profites, or other hereditamentes, by any maner of assuraunce, conueighaunce, wille, deuise or otherwise, at any tyme heretofore had, made, suffered, knowledged, or declared, were geuen, assigned, or appoynted, to, or for the maintenaunce, sustentacion or findyng of one priest or of diuers priestes, for terme of certain yerres yet continuynge, and that any priest hath been mainteyned, susteyned, or found with thesame, or with the reuenues, or profites therof, within .v. yerres last paste, that the kyng from thesaid feast of Easter, nexte comyng, shall haue and enioye, in euery behaulfe, for, and durynge al such tyme to come, euery suche, and like thynges, tenementes, hereditamentes, profites & emolumentes, as the priest or priestes, ought, or should haue had, for, or towarde his, or their maintenaunce, susteynaunce, or findyng, and for no longer, or further tyme, nor for any other profite,

advantage, or commoditie thereof to be taken. And provided alwaies, and it is ordeined, and enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that when and as soon as the tyme assigned, for the maintenaunce, sustentacion, or findyng of the priest or priestes shalbe expired and runne: that then it shalbe lawfull to every persone, and persones, to whom any manours, landes, tenementes, tithes, portions, pensions, rentes, and other hereditamentes, or any of them, should have belonged or apperteyned, if thesaid former acte and this acte had never been had or made, to entre into, take, perceiue, haue, and enioye, thesame, without any manner leuety, ouster, let mayne, petition, or other suite to be made, to the kyng, in like maner, forme, and condicion, to all intents, constructions, and purposes, as though thesaid former acte and this acte, had never been had, or made, and as though the kyng had never had any reason or possession thereof: Any thyng in thesaid former acte, or in this acte, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it ordeined and enacted, by thaurthoritie of this present parliament, that the kyng, our soueraigne lord, his heires and successors, from thesaid feast of Easter next commyng, shall haue, hold, perceiue, and enioye for ever, all landes, tenementes, rentes, and other hereditamentes, whiche by any manner of assuraunce, conueighaunce, willes, wil deuise, or otherwise, at any tyme heretofore had, made, suffered, knowledged, or declared, wer geuen, assigned, or appoynted, to go, or bee employed wholly to the findyng, or maintenaunce, of any Anniversary, or Obite, or other like thyng, intent, or purpose, or of any light or lampe, in any Church or chapel, to haue continuance for ever, whiche hath been kept or mainteined, within five yerres next before thesaid first day of this present parliament.

And also, that where but part of the issues or reuenues of any manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, or other hereditamentes, hath by any of the waies, or meanes abovesaid, been geuen, assigned, or appoynted, to bee bestowed or employed, to the findyng or maintenaunce of any Anniversary or Obite, or other like thyng, intent, or purpose, or of any light or lampe, in any Church or Chapel, and to haue continuance for ever: that then our soueraigne lord the king, shal fro thesaid feast of Easter next commyng, for ever haue, perceiue, and enioye, every suche summes of money, that in any one yere within five yerres next before the first date of this present parliament, hath been expended and bestowed about the findyng or maintenaunce, of any suche Anniversary, or Obite, or other like thyng, intent, or purpose, or of any light or lampe, to him, his heires, and successors, for ever, as a rent charge to bee paid yerely, at the feastes of sainte Michaell Tharchaungell, and Chanunciacion of our Lady sainte Mary the Virgin, by even portions, in the kynges Courte of the Augmentacions, & reuenues of his crowne or in any other Court, or Courtes, as the kyng hereafter shall appoint.

And

And that it shalbe lawfull to our said souereigne Lorde the kyng, his heires, and successors, for none payment of any suche summe or summes of money, to distreine, in the said Manours, Landes, & Tenementes, of the issues and reuenues wherof, the said Annuallary or Obite, or other like thyng, or any suche light or Lampe was founde, sustained, or maintained. And that for lacke of sufficient distresse, in, or vpon any of the premises, wherof any of the said yerely rentes, or summes of money, should be paid by the space of one moneth nexte after, that any of the said rentes should be paid, and be not paid within the said moneth: that then it shalbe lawfull, to, and for our souereigne lord the kyng, his heires and successors, by vertue of this present acte, to enter into, and to haue, and possede, as muche of the landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, wherof the said rent or rentes, should be leuied or paid, as the rente or rentes that should bee leuied or paid out of the same, dooth or shall amounte, or come to, in yerely value, and the same landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes to holde, and kepe and haue to our said souereigne Lorde the kyng, his heires, and assignes for euer, or for suche estate, as our souereigne Lorde the kyng, his heires, or successors, had, or ought to haue had, of, or in the said rent, or rentes.

And also it is ordeined and enacted, by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that our souereigne Lorde the kyng, shall from the said feast of Easter nexte commynge, haue, perceiue, and enioye, all and syn- guler suche summes of money, profittes, commodities and emolumentes, whiche by vertue of any maner of assuraunce, conueighaunce, composition, will, deuise, or otherwise, heretofore haue been geuen, assigned limited, or appoynted, to haue continuance for euer, whiche, in any one yere, within five yeres, nexte befoze the beginnyng of this present Parliament, haue been paid, bestowed, or employed, by any maner of Corporacions, Guildes, Fraternities, Companies, or Fellowshipes of Mysteries or Craftes, or any of them, beyng in Englande, Wales, and other the kynges Dominions, or by the Masters, Wardens, Gouernors, or other Officers, or Ministers, or by the Master, Warden, Gouernor, or other Officer or Minister of them, or any of them, toward, or aboute the findyng, maintenaunce, or sustentacion of any prieste, or Priestes, of any Annuallary, or Obite, Lampe, Light, or Lightes, or other like thyng, as is aforesaid, to our souereigne lord the kyng, his heires, and successors for euer. To be paid yerely, as a rent charge, at the feastes of saint Michaell Thatchaungel, and the Annunciatio of our Lady, by euen porcions, in the kynges Courte of the Augmentacions and reuenues of his Crowne, or in any other Court or Courtes, as the kyng hereafter shall appoynt. And that it shalbe lawfull to our said souereigne Lorde the kyng, his heires, and successors, for none payment of any suche summe, or summe of money, profite, commoditie, or emolument, or for none payment of any of them, to distreine in all the Manours

nours, Landes, and Tenementes, of every suche Craftes, Corporacions, Gylde, Fraternities, Companies, or Fellowshipes of Mysteries or Craftes, or any of them, by whom, or by the Masters, Wardens, Governours, or other Officers, or Ministers, or Master, Warden, Governour, or Minister, of the whiche any suche summes or summe of money, profite, commoditie, or emolument, haue, or hath been paid, bestowed or employed: And that all and every of thesaied summes of money, profit, commodities, and emolumentes, shall, from the feast of Easter nexte coming, without any maner of inquisition or office, to bee had or founde, bee iudged and demed, to bee in the actuall and reall possession of our saied soueraigne Lorde the Kyng, in like maner and forme, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as if thesame had been particularly and specially mencioned in this present acte.

And furthermore bee it ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that the Kyng our soueraigne Lorde, shall, from thesaied feast of Easter nexte coming, haue, and enioye to hym, his heires and successours for ever, all Fraternities, Brotherheddes, and Gylde, beyng within the Realme of Englande, and Wales, and other the Kynges Dominions: and all Manors, Landes, Tenementes, and other Hereditamentes, belonging to them or any of the, other then suche Corporacions, Gylde, Fraternities, Companies, and Fellowshipes of Mysteries or Craftes, and the Manors, Landes, Tenementes, and other Hereditamentes, perteynyng to thesaied Corporacions, Gylde, Fraternities, Companies, and Fellowshipes of Mysteries or Craftes, aboue mencioned: And shall, by vertue of this acte, bee iudged and demed, in actuall and reall possession of our saied soueraigne Lorde the Kyng, his heires and successours, from thesaied feast of Easter nexte coming for ever, without any inquisition, or Office, thereof to be had or founde.

And also bee it ordeyned and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that our saied soueraigne Lorde the Kyng, his heires, and successours, at his, and their will and pleasure, maie directe his, and their Commissions and Commission, vnder the great Seale of Englande, to suche persones, as it shall please hym: And that thesame Commissioners, or twoo of them at the leaste, shall haue full power and auctoritie, by vertue of this acte, and of thesaied Commission, aswell to suruey all and synguler Laye Corporacions, Gylde, Fraternities, Companies, and Fellowshipes of Mysteries, or Craftes incorporate, and every of them, as all other thesaied Fraternities, Brotherheddes, and Gylde, within the limites of their Commission, to them directed: And all the Evidences, Compositions, Bookes of Accomptes, and other writynges of every of them, to the intent thereby to knowe, what money, and other thynges, was paid, or bestowed to the findyng or maintenaunce of any Priests, or Priestes, Amiuerlaie, or Obite,

of other like thyng, Light or Lampe, by theim, or any of theim: As also to inquire, searche, and trye, by all suche waies and meanes, as to theim shalbee thoughte meete, and conueniente, what Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Rentes, and other Hereditamentes, Proffites, Commodities, Emolumentes, and other thynges, bee geuen, limited, or appoynted, to oure saied soueraigne Lorde the Kyng by this acte, within the limites of their Commission. And also that thesame Commissioners, or twoo of theim at the leaste, by vertue of this acte, and of the Commission to theim directed, shall haue full power and auctoritie to assigne, and shall appoynte in euerye suche place, where Suplde, Fraternitie, the Prieste, or Incumbente of any Chauntrey in esse, the firste daye of this present Parliamente, by the foundation, Ordynance, or firste Institution thereof, should, or oughte to haue kepte a Grammar schoole, or a Preacher, and so hath dooen, sythen the feast of Sancte Michaell the Archaungell laste paste, Landes, Tenementes, and other Hereditamentes, of euerye suche Chauntrey, Suplde and Fraternitie, to remayne, and continue in succession to a schoole Master, or Preacher for ever, for, and towarde the keepng of a Grammar Schoole, or Preaching, and for suche Godly intentes, and purposes, and in suche maner and fourme, as thesame Commissioners, or twoo of theim at the leaste, shall assigne or appoynte: And also to make and ordeyne a Vicare, to haue perpetuities for ever, in euery Parishes Churche, the firste daye of this presente Parliamente, being a College, free Chapell, or Chauntery, or appropriated, annexed, or vnted, to any College, free Chapell, or Chauntery, that shall come to the Kynges handes by vertue of this acte, and to endowe euerye suche Vicare sufficiently, haupng respecte to his Cure and charge, thesame endowments to bee to euerye suche Vicar, and to his successours for ever, withoute any other licence, or graunte of the Kyng, the Bisshoppe or other Officers of the Diocesse. And also thesaid Commissioners, or twoo of theim at the leaste, shall haue auctoritie by force of this acte, to assigne in euerye greute Coune, or Parishes, where thei shall thynke necessarye, to haue mo Priestes then one, for the ministering of the Sacramentes, within thesame Coune, or Parishes, Landes, and Tenementes, belonging to any Chauntery, Chapell, or Stipendary Prieste, being within thesame Coune or Parishes, the firste daye of this presente Parliamente, to bee to suche persone, and persones, as thesaid Commissioners, or twoo of theim at the leaste, shall assigne, or appoynte to continue in succession for ever, for, and towarde the sufficiente syn- dyng, or mayntenance of one, or mo Priestes, within thesame Coune or Parishes, as by thesaid Commissioners, or twoo of theim, shalbee thoughte necessarye and conueniente. And aswell to make Ordynances and Rules, concernyng the seruice, vses, and demeanour of euerye suche Prieste, and Schoole Master, as is aforesaid to bee appoynted,

ted, as also, by what name, or names, he and they, shall from henceforth be named and called: And also that the said Commissioners, or two of them at the leaste, shall have full power, and auctoritie, by vertue of this acte, and of the said Commission to them directed, to assigne aswell to every Deane, Master, Warden, Brouncker, and other Incumbente, and Minister of any of the said Colleges, free Chapelles, or Chauntries, being within the limites of their Commission, whiche hereafter shall be dissolved or determined by vertue of this acte, as to every Stipendary Priest, and other Priest, whose Salarye, the King shall be intituled unto, by this acte, as to every fellow and poore persone, hauing pety reliefe, out of any of the said Colleges, free Chapelles, or Chauntries, being within the limites of their Commission, suche severall pety Annuities, Pensions, or other recompenses, during their severall lives, as to the said Commissioners, or to two of them, shall be thought meete and convenient. And over that the said Commissioners, or two of them at the leaste, shall have full power and auctoritie by vertue of this acte, and of the Commission to them directed, to inquire and trye, by suche waies and meanes as they shall thinke mete, and convenient, what money, profite and benefite, any poore persone, or persones, by vertue of any conveyance, assurance, composition, will, devise, or otherwise, heretofore had, or made, intended, or meante to have continuance for ever, had, or enjoyed, within five yerres, nexte before the beginning of this present Parliamente, out of any College, free Chapell, or Chauntry, and other the premises, geven, limited, or appoynted to the King, by this acte, being within the limites of their Commission: And thereupon, to make assignementes and orders, in suche maner and forme, as all and singuler suche said money, profite and commoditie, shall be paid to poore people for ever: According to suche said assurance, composition, will, devise, or other thynge, had, or made for the same, and to assigne and appoynte Landes, Tenementes, or other Hereditamentes, parcel of the premises, for the mainteinance, and continuance of the same for ever, and also to appoynte to Fraternities, Brotherhoodes, and Guildes Landes, Tenementes, and Hereditamentes, parcel of the premises, towards, & for the mainteinance of Sters, Jutties, walles, and Banks, against the rages of the sea, Waves, and Creekes. And that all and singuler Annuities, Pensions, and other recompenses, shall be hault pety paid to the persones, to whom the same ought to be paid by the Kinges Receivour, for the tyme being, of his Landes commonly called the suppressed landes, or other his Revenues, lying in the Countie or Citee, where suche College, free Chapell, or Chauntry, or other the premises, geven, limited or appoynted to the King, by this acte, the first daie of this present Parliamente, were, or remained, without any fee, or reward, thereto to be paid: The first payment to begin at

at the Feaste of Saint Michael the Archangel nexte coming. And that euerye suche Receiuer, vpon his accompte, shal haue full and due allowance, of all such Annuities, Pensions, and other recompences, by him payed, by vertue of anye suche assignement to be made, by thesayde Commissioners, or twoo of them at the leaste.

And it is ordeined and enacted by theauctoritie of this present parliament, that thesayde Commissioners, and euerye of them, that shal take vpon hem the execution of anye thesayde Commissions shalbe bounde, as he wyl answer before God, to execute the Commission, to hym and other directed, beneficiallye towards the Deanes, Masters, Wardens, Prouostes, and other Incumbentes, and Ministers aforesayde, and towarde the poore people, concernynge thesayde assignementes, and also towarde the maintenaunce of Diers, Titties, Walles, or Bankes, against the rages of the sea, Hauens, and Creekes: And that all maner of assignementes and ordinaunces to be made, by thesayde Commissioners, or twoo of them at the leaste, and certified vnder theyr scales, or the scales of twoo of them at the leaste, into the Kynges Courte of the Augmentations and reuenues of hys crowne, or to anye other Courte, or courttes, by the Kynges Maiestie to be made, or assigned, shal, by vertue of this acte, and of thesayde Commissions, be as good and effectuell in the law to all ententes, constructions, and purposes, as though thesame had bene assigned and ordeyned by auctoritie of thys presente parliament, by expresse and apte woordes, termes and sentences.

Provided also, that such Annuities, Pensions, or other recompences, that thesayde Commissioners, or any of them, shal assigne or appoynte, to be payed peretie, to anye suche Deane, Master, Warden, Gouvernour, or other Incumbente, Felowe, or minister, shal not extende to anye more clere peretie value, then suche Deane, Master, Warden, Prouoste, Gouvernour, or other Incumbente, Felowe, or minister, or hys predecessour, lawfullie had, or enioyed in moneye, meate, drinke, liuerye, or allowaunce of thesame peretie, wythin fyue yeres, nexte before the begynnyng of this presente parliament.

Provided also, that if any of thesayd Masters, wardens, prouostes, gouvernours, or other incumbentes, felowe, or ministers, shal at any tyme hereafter, duringe hys lyfe, be promoted by the Kyng, to anye benefice, or other spirituall promotion, beinge of a better clere peretie value, then his sayde Annuitie, or Pension, or other recompence shalbe of: that then the annuities, pension, or other former recompence, that anye such Deane, Master, Warden, Gouvernour, or Prouoste, or other Incumbente, Felowe, minister, that so shalbe promoted, shal haue, shal immediately after suche promotion had, cease, and utterly determine.

And be it ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that thesayde Commissioners, or twoo of them at the leaste, to

whom any Commission, by vertue or meane of this acte, shalbe directed, and deliuered, shalbe bounden upon the forsaicte, euery of them of a hundred poundes, to make a certificat vnder their Seales, or the Seales of twoo of them at the leaste, into thesaide Courte of Chaugmentations, and Reuenues of the Kynges crowne, or into anye other courte, as is aforesayde, within one yere nexte after the Commission to them directed, of all Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, Rentes, Tithes, Portions, Pensions, Hereditamentes, and recompenses, by thesaime Commissioners or twoo of them, assigned or appoynted to anye of the bles, intentes, or purposes aboue mencioned.

And also be it ordeyned and enacted, by theauctoritie of this presente parliament, that oure Soueraigne Lorde the Kyng shall haue and enioye, all suche Gooddes, Cattalles, Iuelles, Plate, Ornamentes, and other moucables, as were, or be the common Gooddes, of euerye suche College, Chauntye, Freeschapell, or stipendarie prieste, belongynge or annexed to the furniture or seruyce of theyr seuerall foundations, or abused of anye of thesaide Corporations, in the abuses aforesayde, the proprietye whereof was not altered nor chaunged before the. vii. daye of Decembre, in the yere of our Lorde God. M. CCCC. xlii.

And it is also ordeined and enacted, by the auctoritie of this present parliamente, that all suche debtes, and Summes of moneye, as ought, or shoulde, withoute fraude or couyn, hereafter be payed of the moneye or Gooddes of anye of thesaide Colleges, due, or payable, by reason of any contracte, specialtie, or promys had, or made, before thesaime. viii. daye, shal trulye and fully be payed by the Treasaurour of the Kynges Courte of the Augmentations, and Reuenues of hys crowne, or by the Treasaurour or Receyuer of anye other Courte, to whiche anye of the premisses shalbe appoynted, of the Kynges Treasure, beyng in his, or their handes, with as conueniente speede, as thesaime maye be payed.

Provided alwayes, and be it ordeyned and enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that thys Acte, or any article clause, or matter conteyned in the same, shall not in anye wyse extende to anye College, Hostell, or Haulle, being within either of the Uniuersities of Cambrydge and Ox-fourde, nor to anye Chauntye founded in any of the Colleges, Hostelles, or Haulles, beyng in thesaime Uniuersities, nor to the Freeschapel of Saint George the Martyr, situate in the Castell of Windesore, nor to the College, called Saint Marpe College of Winchester, besydes Winchester, of the foundation of Bisshope Wykeham, nor to the College of Eton, nor to the Parryshe Church, commonlye called the Chapell in the Sea in Newton, within the Isle of Elpe, in the Countie of Cambrydge, nor to anye Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, or Hereditamentes, to them, or to anye of them perteynyng or belongynge, nor to anye Chapell made, or ordeyned, for the ease of the people, dwel-
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lyngge distantte from the Church, or such lyke Chapel,
whereunto nomore Landes, or Tenementes, then the Church payde,
or a lytell house, or Close dothe belonge or pertaine, nor to anye
Cathedral Church, or College, where a Bishoppes see is, within this
Realme of Englands, or in Wales, nor to the Mannours, Landes,
Tenementes, or other hereditamentes of anye of them, other then to
suche Chauntries, Obites, Lightes, and Lampes, or anye of them, as
at anye tyme, within fyue yerres nexte before the begynnyng of this
presente Parliamente have bene had, used, or mainteyned, within the
sayde Cathedral Churches, or within anye of them, or of the p'sents,
Reuenues, or profits of anye of the sayde Cathedral Churches, to
whiche Chauntries, Obites, Lightes, and Lampes, it is enacted by
the auctorite aforesayde, that this Acte shall extende.

And it is ordeyned and enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that
our soueraigne lord the kyng, at any tyme, duringe his lyfe (whiche
God longe preserve) may, at his will and pleasure, alter and chaunge
the name or names of all and singuler Chauntries, and the founda-
tions of the same, beyng in anye of the Colleges, Hostelles, or Hal-
les of any of the sayde Uniuersities, accordyng as to his godly wi-
sedome shall be thought mete and conueniente.

Sauynge to all and every persone and persones, bodies politique
and corporate, theyr Heyres, and Successours, and the Heyres and
Successours of euery of them, other then Masters, Wardens, Mi-
nisters, Gouernours, Rulers, Prectors, Incumbentes, Felowes, and
Brethren of the sayd Colleges, Chauntries, Freechapelles, and other
the p'misses, geuen, lymited, or appoynted to the kyng by this Acte.
And the Successours of them, and euery of them, and other then
suche as be, or pretende to be, foundours, Patrones or Donors of the
p'misses, or anye of them, or of anye parte or percell thereof, and the
Heyres, Successours, and assignes, of euery, or anye of them: And
other then such, as be, or were Feoffers, Recouerers, Comissers, Graun-
teers, or Reuisees of anye of the p'misses, to, or for anye of the v'ss,
purpoises, or ententes aboue mencioned, or to the vse of anye of the
sayd Colleges, Freechapelles, Chauntries, or other the p'misses, ge-
uen, lymited, or appoynted by this Acte to the kyng, or to the entente
to employe the Rentes or profits thereof, to the vse of the Masters,
Rulers, Incumbentes, or Ministers of them, or of anye of them: And
other then such person, or persones, and bodies politique and corpo-
rate, their Heyres, Successours, and assignes, as claime, or pretende
to haue any estate, righte, title, interest, vse, possession, or condition,
of, in, or to the p'misses, or anye parte or percell thereof, by reason of
any Feoffemente, fyne, bargain, and sale, or by anye other wayes,
meanes, or conueyngance, to them made of any estate of inheritaunce,
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Without the said late Kinges licence, assente, consente, or agreement, and without the licence, assente, consent, or agreement, of the Kinges Maiestie that now is, by any of the sayde Deanes, Bishops, War-
dens, Ministers, Courtiers, Rulers, Priests, or Incumbentes, or
by the foundours, Donors, or Patrones of them, or of any of them,
all such Rights, Title, Clayme, Possession, Interest, Rentes, Annui-
ties, Commodities, Commods, Offices, Fees, Leases, Lyneries, Lyn-
ges, Pensions, Portions, Debtes, Duties, and other profittes, which
they, or any of the sayde have, or of right ought to have, or might
have had, in, of, or to any of the premises, or in, of, or to any parte or
percell thereof, in such lyke manner, forme, & condition to all ententes,
deperthes, constructions & purposes, as if this acte had neuer bene had
nor made, and as though the sayde Chauntries, Colleges, and other
sayde promotions, had stille continued and remayned in their full
being: And sauynge to all and euery Patrone, Donour, Foundor,
or Genour of anye such College, Chauntry, Freechapell, Stipenda-
ry Priests, and other, the premises, geuen, limited, or appoynted to
the Kinge by this acte, and the donor, feoffor, and geuer of the afore-
sayde Landes, Tenementes, or Hereditamentes, to them, or anye of
them, or to anye vles, or purposes before mentioned, all such Rentes,
Services, Rentes seche, Rentes charge, Fees, Annuities Profittes &
Offices: and also leases for terme of yere, yeres, & partes, wherupon the
accustomed rente, or more, is reserved, as they, or anye of them law-
fully had, perceyued, and enioyed, in, oute, or of anye sayde Pro-
motions, or out of anye of the sayde Landes, Tenementes, or Heredita-
mentes, before the firste daye of this present parliament.

And ouer that, it is ordeyned and enacted, by the authoritie of this
presente Parliament, that all and euery person, and persones, being
in yfe, whiche haue, or haue for anye summe of monye to hym, or
them payed, bargained or solde, any Mannours, Landes, Tenemen-
tes, or other Hereditamentes aforesayde, wherunto the Kinge our
Souraigne lord is intituled by vertue of this Acte, shall repaye to
suche person, as so bought any of the sayde Mannours, Landes, Te-
nementes, or other Hereditamentes, or to his Executors, or assignes,
vpon a requeste therfore made, or within thre monethes then nexte
ensuinge the same requeste, almushe monye, as he, or they receyued
for the sale of the thyng, so by hym or them solde. And for none pay-
ment thereof, such person and persones as purchased, or bought the
sayde Landes, Tenementes, and other the premises, or anye percell
thereof, and their Executors, and Administrators, shalbe enabled
by the authoritie of this present Parliament, to sue, and mainteyne
an action of Debte, at the common lawes of this Realme, agaynst su-
che person, or persones, as so bargained or solde to hym, or them, or
to their

to their Testator anye of the premises, belongynge to anye College, Chauntrye, Freechapell, or other Promotion Spirituall, in whiche action of Debte, none cōpynge, protection or wages of lawe shalbe admitted, or allowed.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd, that all, and euerie of thesayde Chauntries, Colleges, and Freechapelles, & other the premises, geuen, limited, or appoynted to the Kyng by this acte, and all the Mannors, Houses, Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, Possessions, and Hereditamentes, and other the premises whatsover they be, geuen, limited, and appoynted to the Kyng by this acte, and euerie parte and percell of them, which by auctoritie and vertue of this acte, bene bested, adiudged, and demed, or shalbe in the Kynges Majestyes possession and handes, or which the Kyng shalbe entituled vnto, by vertue of this acte, shalbe in the order, Suruaue and gouernance, of our Soveraigne Lorde the Kynges Courte of the Augmentations and Reuenues of his crowne, or in such other Courte, as the Kyng at any tyme hereafter shal assigne, name, or appoynte, and so shal, and maye be graunted, letten and set to farme by the Chauncellour, Officers, and Ministers of thesame Courte, or of anye other Courte so to be appoynted, in suche maner and forme, as other Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, appoynted to thesame Courte of Augmentations, and Reuenues of his graces crowne, or other Courte so to be appoynted, bene to be graunted or letten: And that all the farmes, Pylues, Reuenues and profyttes, commynge and growynge of thesame premises, and of euerie parte thereof, shalbe taken and receyued to the Kynges vse, by the Officers, and Ministers of thesame Courte, or Courtes, in suche manner and fourme, as is vled and had of other Mannours, Landes, and Tenementes, and of the Pylues, Reuenues and profyttes of thesame, committed to the order, rule, suruaue, and gouernance of thesayde Courte of the Augmentations and Reuenues of the Kynges crowne, or anye other Courte so to be appoynted: any Acte, Statute, Ordinaunce, Custome, or vse, heretofore had, made, or vled, to the contrarie notwithstandinge.

And it is further enacted by auctoritie aforesayde, that yf anye of thesayde Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Rulers, Gouernours, Priests, Incumbentes, or owners of anye suche College, Chauntrye, Freechapell, or of anye the premises, geuen, limited, or appoynted to the Kyng, by this Acte, or of anye of them, sythens the xxiii. daye of November, in the xxxvii. yere of the reigne of thesayde late Kyng, haue made anye lease, vnder his, or theyr common Seale, or otherwyle, for terme of yeres, lyfe, or lyfes, of thesayde Colleges, Chauntries, Freechapelles, or of other thesame premises, or of anye parte thereof, or of anye Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, Possessions, or Hereditamentes,

Tenementes, whatsoeuer they be, to them, or to anye of them vnyted, or annexed, belongynge, or apperteynyng, vpon the which leases, the vsuall and olde Rentes and fermes, accustomed to be yelded and reserved, or more, by the space of twenty yeres nexte before the sayde xxiiij. daye of November nexte reserved and yelded, shalbe litle wyse vnder, and of none effecte: And that all other leases, and grauntes, heretofore made of anye the premises, geuen, limited, or appoynted to the kynge, by this Acte, shalbe as good, available, and effectuell in the lawe, to all ententes, constructions, and purposes, as if this Acte hadde neuer bene had, or made, anye thyng in this Acte, or anye other Acte heretofore had, or made, to the contrarye thereof in anye wyse notwithstandinge.

Provyded allwayes, and be it further ordeyned and enacted, by the auctorite aforesayde, that this Acte, or anye thyng therein conteyned, shall not extende to anye Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, Possessions, or Hereditamentes, whiche the sayde Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Chauntye Priests, Incumbentes, or other the sayde Gouernours, Officers, Ministers, or Rulers of the premises, or of anye of them, haue, or is, or hereafter shall haue, or be possessed, or leased of in fee simple, fee tayle, generall or speciall, for terme of lyfe, terme of yeres, or otherwyse, to hys, or thers, awne proper vses, by inheritaunce, or purchase: And not beyng at anye tyme vnyted, or annexed, to hys, or thers, sayde Colleges, Freechapelles, Chauntries, or other the premises, geuen, limited, or appoynted to the kynge by this Acte: Nor shall extende to anye Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, Possessions, Rentes, Annuityes, or yere-lye Pension, or Pensions, or to anye yere-lye Summe, or Summes of monye, beyng not vnyted, or ptecell of anye the sayde Colleges, and other the premises aforesayde, or of anye of them, heretofore geuen, or graunted by the sayde late kynge, or geuen, or graunted, or hereafter to be geuen or graunted by the kynge oure Souereygne Lorde, to anye of the sayde Deanes, Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Chauntye Priests, Incumbentes, Gouernours, or Rulers of the premises, or of anye of them, for terme of lyfe onelye, vnder hys greate Seale of Englande, or vnder the Seale of the Courte of the Augmentacions, and Reuenues of the kynges crowne, or anye other of the kynges Seales, of anye of hys Courtes: anye thyng conteyned in this Acte, to the contrarye in anye wyse notwithstandinge.

Provyded alwaye, and be it enacted by auctorite aforesayde, that aswell all, and euerye Patron, Donour, Foundor, and geuer of anye of the said Promotions, or Premises, or Geuer, Donor, or Feoffor, of anye their Landes, Tenementes, Possessions, or other Hereditamentes, as all,

as all, and euery persone and persones, bodyes politique and corporate, whiche before the makinge of this Acte, lawfullye, withoute fraude, or couyn, had, or enioyed, anye manner of Rente, or other percelle profittes, to be taken, perceiued or had, of anye Chauntries, Colleges, Freechapelles, or other the premises, geuen, limyted, or appoynted, to the Kyng by this Acte, or oute of anye Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, or other possessions of them, or anye of them, shall haue and enioye the same, in lyke manner and fourme, as they shoulde, and oughte to haue done; yf thesayde Colleges, Chauntries, Freechapelles, and other the premises, geuen, limyted, or appoynted to the Kyng by this Acte, had styll remayned and contynued in esse, and full beyng: Any thyng in this Acte mencioned, to the contrarye in anye wyse notwithstandinge.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that yf anye suche Governour, Ruler, Wardeyn, Master, Incumbente, Minister, or other, hauynge anye of thesayde spirituall Promotions, or Incumbentes, haue, or shall compounde, for the fyfte fructes of anye suche spirituall Promotions, accordynge to the Lawes, and Statutes of this Realme, and the dayes of payement of anye parte thereof, not expyred before the fyfte daye of this Parliamente, that all Summes of moneye so to be due and payable, sithens thesayde fyfte daye of this Parliamente, shall cease, and be not payed, asked, or demaunded: any bonde, recognisaunce, suertie, or other thyng, had, or made, to the contrarye notwithstandinge.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that all suche Rentes, Seruices, Issues, Profytes, and other Summes of money, payable oute, of, or for anye of the premises, or anye of them, in the Kynges court of hys Exchequer, shall continue, and be continualye and percelle leuyed, charged, or payed, in thesame Courte, in suche manner and fourme, as heretofore hath bene vsed: anye lawe, Customs, vnttie of possession in the Kynges hyghnes, or other thyng to the contrarye notwithstandinge: And as though thesayde Promotions, Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, and other the premises had not come to the Kynges handes or possession.

And be it further enacted, by the auctoritie aforesayde, that all and euery letters patentes, made by thesayde late Kyng Henry the eighte, or by the Kynges Maiestie that nowe is, or hereafter to be made by hys hyghnes to anye persone or persones, or to anye Archebysshoppe, or Bysshoppe, of anye of thesayde Colleges, Chauntries, Freechapelles, or other the premises, or anye parte or percell of them, or of anye Landes, Tenementes, or Hereditamentes, belongynge, or apperteynyng, or that byd belonge, or apperteygne to them, or anye of them: And all fynes, Gyftes, Grauntes, Feoffmentes, Recoueries, and all other assuraunces, and

tes, and conueghaunces thereof had, or made, by the assente, consente, or licence, vnder the greate Seale of Englande, of thesayde late kynge Henry the eighte, or the kynges Maiestie that now is, to anye persone, or persones, bodyes politique, or corporate, by anye Chauntye priestes, Masters, Wardens, ministers, rulers, gouernours, or other, haupng anye of thesayde Promotions, or anye of thesayde Colleges, Chauntyes, freychapelles, or other the premises or of anye of them, or of anye parte, percell, or membre of thesame, shall stande and be in their forces, and effectes, and shalbe good and effectuell in the lawe, for suche estates and interestes, geuen, graunted, limited, or appoynted, in anye of the gyftes, grauntes, assuraunces, or conueghaunces thereof had, or made, accordyng to the purpotes, founte and matter, and accordyng to the true intente & meanyng of thesame assuraunces, and shalbe by aucthorite of this Acte, good, perfecte, and auailable, aswell against the kyng, his heires, and Successours, as agaynst thesayde Chauntye priestes, Wardens, Masters, Rulers, Gouernours, and other, haupng anye of thesayde Promotions, and theyr Successours, and the Successours of euerye of them: as also agaynst the foundours, donors, and patrones of thesame, and the ordinarie of them, and euery of them, and the heires, and Successours of euerye of theim: anye lawe, statute, ordinaunce, or other thyng, to the contrarye thereof notwithstandinge.

And where dyuers and sundrye Bysshoppes, Deanes, Archdeacons, Crescours, Prebendaries, Chauntye priestes, Masters, Provoostes, Rulers, Gouernours of any Deaneries, Archdeaneries, Crescours, Prebendes, freychapelles, Chauntyes, or Colleges, within this Realme of England, and other the kynges Maiesties Dominions, or anye of the patrones, foundours, donors or anye of the Bysshopps, Crescours, Deaneries, Chauntyes, freychapelles, or other thesayde Spiritual promotions, of theyr voluntarie wylles, or myndes, for dyuers good and reasonable causes and considerations, by dedde, or deddes entolled, or by other wytynges, or conueghaunces, haue heretofore geuen and graunted to the late kyng of Englande, and to his heires, or to oure Soueraigne Lorde the kyng that now is, and to his heires, dyuers of theyr Deaneries, Archdeaneries, Crescours, Prebendes, Chapelles, Chauntyes, and Colleges, or anye other Ecclesiasticall or Spiritual promotions, laste befoze remembred: And all, or some parte of the Mannours, landes, tenementes, tithes, pensions, annuities, rentes, reuerfions, and other reuenues, hereditamentes, possessions, emolumentes and profittes, to thesame Bysshopps, Deaneries, Archdeaneries, Crescours, Prebendes, Chapelles, Chauntyes, Colleges and other lyke Promotions, benefices, offices, and dignities, or to any of them, belongyng, appertenyng, vnted,

ted, or annexed, or whiche the sayde Bishoppes, Deanes, Archdeacons, Treasurers, Chauncery Priests, Masters, Provoostes, Rulers, Governours, and other ecclesiasticall or spirituall officers, or ministers, or anye of the sayde Patrones, donors, or foundors, or anye of them, had or enjoyed in the righte, or by reason of anye of the same promotions, offices, or dignities.

Be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that all and every giftes and grauntes, heretofore made to the sayde late kynge, and to his heires, or to our sovereygne lord the kynge that now is, and to his heires, by anye Archebischoppe, Bischoppe, Deane, Archdeacon, Treasourer, Prebendarie, Master, Provoost, Governour, or other the sayde ecclesiasticall and spirituall person, or persons, or by anye patrones, donors, or foundors of anye of the sayde Deaneries, Chaunceries, or other of the sayde spirituall or ecclesiasticall promotions, or of all, or anye of the Mannours, landes, tenementes, tithes, rentes, reuerstions, pensions, portions, annuities, or other hereditamentes, Reuenues, emolumentes, profites, or commodities, to anye of the sayde benefices, offices, prebendes, promotions, or dignities belonging, apperteyning, united, or annexed, or whiche anye of the same Archebischoppes, Bishoppes, Deanes, Archdeacons, Treasurers, Masters, Provoostes, Prebendaries, Rulers, Governours, officers, or ministers, patrones, donors, or donors, had, or enjoyed, or haue, or enioye, or ought to haue, or enioye, in the righte, or by reason, or meanes of anye of the same promotions, offices, or dignities, shalbe good and effectuell in the lawe, to all ententes and purposes; Savinge, to all and every person, and persons, and bodys politique and corporate, their heires, Successours, and assignes, and to the heires, Successours, and assignes of every of them, other then the Archebischoppes, Bishoppes, Deanes, Archdeacons, Treasurers, Prebendaries, Rulers, Governours, Wardens, Provoostes, Chauncers, and grauntors of anye of the Premises, and their heires, Successours, and assignes, and other then suche ecclesiasticall or spirituall persones, bodys politique or corporate, as are, or pretende to be foundors, donors, patrones, or ordinaries of the premises, or anye of them, all such rightes, titles, interestes, claimes, annuities, rentes, conversions, reuerstions, fees, offices, annuities, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, profites, commodities, and emolumentes, as they or anye of them haue, or shoulde, or oughte to haue had, of, in, or to the premises nexte above mencioned, or anye parte thereof, as if theye had neuer bene had, or made: Any thyng in this acte, to the contrarye in anye wise notwithstandinge.

It is also enacted, that this Acte, or anye thyng therein conteyned, shall not in anye wise extende, to make good or effectuell, anye gifte, graunte, bargain, sale or alienation, made by anye Person, or Persons, of their

of their personages, or vicarages, or of anye parte or pcell thereof, or of anye thynge, to them, or anye of them belonginge, or apperteynyng.

Wherby also, that thys Acte, or anye thynge therein conteyned, shall not in anye wise extende, to hynder or pzeiudice George Brooke knyght, Lorde Cobham, hys heires, or assignes, for, or concernyng the late College of Cobham, in the Countie of Kent, or the Mannors, landes, tenementes, or possessions thereof: Anye thynge abovesayde mentioned to the contrarye, in anye wise notwithstandinge.

Wherby also, and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that thys present Acte, or any thynge therein conteyned, shall in anye wise extende, or be pzeiudiciall, or hurtfull to the generall corporation of anye Citie, Burrough, or Towne, within thys Realme, or anye other the kynges Dominions, ne shall extende to anye the landes or hereditamentes, of them, or any of them: anye thynge herein conteyned, to the contrarye, in anye wise notwithstandinge.

Wherby also, and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that all suche of the sayde Colleges, frechappelles, Chauntries, and other the premisses, beyng appointed and geuen to the kynges highnes, by the auctorite of this acte, as be within the Duchie of Lancaster, and all Mannors, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, pteynyng, or belongyng to thesame Colleges, frechappelles, and chauntries, shall, after the sayde feast of Easter nexte comynge, be within the suruay and order of the Courte, of the Duchie of Lancaster, in suche maner and fourme, as other the premisses be assigned, or appointed by auctorite of thys Acte, to be in the suruay and order of the Courte of the Augmentations and reuenues of the kynges Crowne, or other Courte, by the kyng to be assigned: And that all commissions, that hereafter shalbe awarded by vertue and force of thys Acte, concernyng suche Colleges, frechappelles, Chauntries, and other the premisses, as be within the sayde Duchie of Lancaster, shalbe awarded vnder the great seale of Englande, and shalbe certified into thesame Courte of the Duchie of Lancaster: any thynge abovesayde, to the contrarye in anye wise notwithstandinge.

Wherby also, and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that thys Acte ne any thynge therein conteyned, shall extende to the College, or Chauntye of Wyke, in the Countie of Northfolke, whiche the sayde late kyng Henry the eighte, gaue to Robarte, late Earle of Suffex, and to hys heires: But that Henry, now Earle of Suffex, sonne and heire to the sayde late Earle, hys heires and assignes, shall, and maye, by the auctorite of thys Acte, haue and enioye the sayde College, and Chauntye, and all Mannors, landes, tenementes, aduousons, tithes, pensions, portions, & other hereditamentes thereunto

therunto belonginge, or apperteynyng: Any thyng in thys Acte, to the contrary in any wise notwithstandinge.

Provided allwaie, and by the auctoritie aforesayde be it enacted, that the kynges Maiestie, at any tyme, when it shal seme to hym good, maye geue auctoritie to certayne hys graces Commissioners, to alter the nature and condition of all maner of obites, aswell within the vniuersities of Cambridge and Oxforde, as in any other place, within thys hys graces Realme of Englande, and Wales, beyng not suppressed, ne aduylate by vertue of thys present Acte, and thesame obites so altered, to dispose to a better vse: as to the relief of some pooze men beyng students, or otherwise.

Provided also, and be it enacted by auctoritie aforesayde, that it shall not be lesfull to any person, or persons, bodys politique or corporate, by reason of any Remaynder, vse, or condition, to enter into, clayme, or challenge any landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, for the none doyng, not nanninge, or none findinge of anye suche Priest, or Priestes, or pooze folkes, as is aforesayde, Obite, Anniversarie, lighte, or lampe, from hencefurth to be founden or done: any thyng herin conteyned, to the contrary in any wise notwithstandinge.

Provided allwayes, that thys acte, nor anye thyng therein conteyned, shall in any wise extende to any landes, tenementes, possessions, or hereditamentes whatsoeuer, that any Master, Deane, Prebendarie, Wardenn, or Chaunterie, or any stipendarie Priest of anye College, Chaunterie, Prebende, Fraternitie, Guilde, or anye other corporations, haue, or helde, of any person, or persons, by copie of Courte Rolle, or at will, accordyng to the custome of anye Maner, or Manors: nor geue or graunte anye copyholde landes, to the kynges highnes.

And also provided, that the kynges highnes, hys heires, or Successours, shall not in any wise haue, holde, enioye, or take by vertue of thys acte, or any article therein conteyned, anye manner of copyholde landes, tenementes, possessions, or hereditamentes whatsoeuer they be: But that all, and euery of the sayde persons, and incumbentes, shall haue, holde, and enioye thesame, duringe their lifes, towards their pension and yerely payng: payng the rentes, and doyng their customs and seruices, therof due and accustomed, anye thyng in thys acte, to the contrary notwithstandinge.

Provided, that thys acte shall not extende to anye landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, assigned, appoynted, or intended for the findinge, or mayntenaunce of anye Chaunterie priest, or stipendarie Priest, whiche by any former righte, and good title, without fraude or coun, were lawfully recouered from the possession of any such Chaunterie priest, or stipendarie priest, before the firste daye of October, the

sayde. xxxvii. yere of the reygne of the sayde late kyng Henry the. viii. whiche landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, were not charged, nor chargeable to the paymēte of the perpetuall Tenth: Any thyng in this acte, to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

Provided allwaie, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that all and singular grauntes, licences, Confirmations, and letters patentes, whiche our late souereygne lord kyng Henry the. eighth, or our souereygne lord the kyng that now is, haue made vnder the great seale of Englande to any person, or persons, bodies politique or corporate, of anye College, Chappelle, or Chauntrye, now beyng in esse, or standyng, or now not beyng in esse, or not standyng, or of anye Lordshippes, Mannours, Landes, Tenementes, and hereditamentes, annexed, united, belongyng or apperteynyng to anye College, Chappelle, or Chauntrye, now beyng in esse, or standyng, or now not beyng in esse, or not standyng, or of any other thyng, or thynges, mencioned, or expressed in this acte: And all and euery matter and thyng mencioned, expressed or conteyned in any suche graunte, licence, confirmation, or letters patentes, shall from henceforth, be demed, taken, expounded, and adiudged good and effectuall in the lawe, accordyng to the wordes, sentences, meanynges, ententes, forme and effectes of the same grauntes, licences, confirmations, and letters patentes, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as if this acte, and the sayde acte made in the sayde. xxxvii. yere of the sayde late kyng Henry the. viii, had neuer bene had nor made. And that this acte, or the sayde acte made in the sayde. xxxvii. yere of the reygne of our sayde late souereygne lord kyng Henry the. viii. or any clause, article, sentence, or other thyng therein conteyned, shall not extēde to any Colleges, Chappelles, Chauntries, or other thyng or thynges, mencioned in this acte, now beyng in esse, or standyng, or now not beyng in esse, or not standyng, or to any Mannours, landes, tenementes, possessions, reuenues, or hereditamentes, annexed, united, belongyng or apperteynyng to any College, Chappell, Chauntrye, or other thyng mencioned in this acte, now beyng in esse, or standyng or now not beyng in esse, or not standyng, or to anye other thyng, or thynges, mencioned or expressed in this acte: whiche any person or persons, bodies politique or corporate, haue had, or obtayned by the assent, licence, confirmation, graunt, or letters patentes, of the sayd late kyng, or of the kynges Maiestie that now is: Nor shall extēde to anye Mannours, landes, tenementes, reuenues, possessions, hereditamentes, or other thyng or thynges, mencioned, expressed or conteyned in any such licence, confirmation, graunte, or letters patentes: But that euery suche person and persons, bodies politique and corporate, their heyres and Successours, and assignes, and the heires, Successours, and assignes

nes of euery of theim, shall haue, holde, and entoye, all and euery the
 same Colleges, Chappelles, Chauntries, Mannors, landes, tenemen-
 tes, reuenues, possessions, and hereditamentes, and all and euery other
 thyng and thynges whatsoeuer, so by them had or obteyned, by the as-
 sente, licence, confirmation, graunte, or letters patentes of the sayde
 late kynge, or of the kynges Maiestie that now is, accordyng to the
 wordes, sentences, forme, effecte, meanyng and intente of the same li-
 cences, confirmations, grauntes, and letters patentes: this Acte,
 or the sayde acte made in the sayde .xxvii. yere of the reygne
 of the sayde late kynge Henry the eyght, or anye clause,
 Article, sentence, matter, or thyng, mencioned, ex-
 pressed or conteyned in any of the same Actes,
 to the contrarie thereof in anye wise
 notwithstandinge.

God saue the Kyng.

**EXCVSVM LONDINI,
IN AEDIBVS RICHARDI
GRAFTONI, TYPO.
GRAPHI REGII.**

Anno salutis humane.
M.D.XLVIII.

*Cum Privilegio ad Im-
primendum solum.*



AN ACTE CONCERNING THE KIN-
GES MOOST GRATIOVS GENE-
RALL PARDON.



The Kynges moost royal Maiestie, right well perceauynge hys louyng subiectes, by many & sundry waies and meanes, to haue borne and susteyned the great aduentures, charges and busynes of warrres, and defences of this hys Realme, aswell in the tyme of hys moost dere father kyng Henry the VIII, as in hys tyme & reigne, entendyng of his clemency and pitie, to gratefie his sayd subiectes, with hys gracious fre and liberall pardon, accordyng to his kyngly power, trustyng assuredly, that hys sayd subiectes will contynue hys louyng & assured obedient subiectes, and hereafter in suche sorte obeie hys highnes lawes and statutes, as to them, and euery of them, of righte apperteyneth: is fully and resolutely conteted and pleased, that it be enacted by aucthoritie of this present Parliament, in maner & forme folowing, that is to saie, that all and euery of hys sayd subiectes, aswell spiritual as temporall, of this hys Realme of Englad, Wales, the Isles of Jernesey and Garnesey, Barwyck, Calys, Gynnes, Hammes, Bolleyn & Bollonoy, & the marches of thesame, the heires successors, executors & administrators of the, and euery of theim, and all & singuler bodyes, in any maner of wise corporate, Cities, Borroughes, Shires, Riddinges, Hundredes, Lathes, Rapes, Wapetakes, Townes, Villages and Tythynge, and euery of the, and the Successor, & Successors of euery of them, shalbe, by the aucthoritie of this present Parliamente, acquyted, pardoned, released and discharged agaynste the kynges highnes, hys heires, successors, and executors, and euery of them, of all maner of treasons, heresy, felonies, robberies, offences, contempts, trespasses, wronges, deceytes, mysdoemeanours, forfaitures, penalties, & profites, summes of money, paynes of death, paynes corporall and pecuniary, and al other thynges, causes, querelles, lutes, iudgementes and excecutions, which maye be, or can be, by hys highnes in any wyse, or by any meane pardoned, before, and vnto the xxv. day of December, in the yere of our lord God a. M. CCCC. xlvii: Other then suche as hereafter in thys acte be excepted or forpyred, in suche maner and forme, & vnto suche tymes as they be excepted or forpyred in thys acte: and other then suche as the clauses of prouiso, hereafter mencioned, doeth extend vnto. And also the kynges highnes, is farther contented and pleased, that it be enacted, by the aucthoritie of this present Parliament, that this his sayde fre pardon, shalbe as good and effectuell in the law, to euery of his said subiectes, bodyes corporate, and other before reherced, and to euery of them, by the sayde general wordes before reherced, in all thynges, which

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be not hereafter in thys presente acte, excepted or forpyssed, as thesame Wardon should haue bene, if all offences, contemptes, forseyntures, causes, matters, suites, querelles, iudgements, executions, penalties, and al other thynges not hereafter excepted, nor cōteyned in any clause of prouiso hereafter mencioned, had bene perticulerly, singulerly, specially, & plainly named, reherfed and specified, and also pardoned by proper and expresse wordes and names, in their kyndes, natures and qualities, by wordes and termes therunto requisite, to haue bene put in, and expresse in thys present acte of fre Wardon: and that hys sayd subiectes, nor any of them, nor the heyres, executors, or administrators, of any of them nor any of the sayd bodyes corporate, nor any other persones, bodyes polletique, or corporate before named, or any of the, be, nor shalbe sued, vexed or inquyeted in their bodies, gooddes, lādes, or cattalles, for any maner matter, cause, contempt, misdemeamor, forseynture, trespassse, offence or any other thyng, suffered, done or committed against hys highnes, his croune, dignitie, prerogatiue, lawe, or statutes, but onely for suche matters, causes and offences, as be reherfed in the exceptiōs and clauses of prouiso, in this present acte hereafter mencioned, in suche maner and foyme, as in thesame exceptiōs and clauses of prouiso be mencioned, & for none other: any statute or statutes, lawes, customes, vses, or presidēt heretofore had, made or vled, to the contrary in any wyse notwithstandinge.

Also the kynges highnes, of hys bounteous liberalite, by aucthorite of this present Parliament, graunteth and frely geueth, to euery of hys sayd subiectes, and to euery of the sayde bodyes corporate & other before reherfed, and to euery of them, all suche gooddes, cattalles, debtes, fynes, issues, profites and amerciamētes, forseyntures, and sūnes of money, by any of them forseynted, which to hys highnes do, or should belong or apperteign, by reason of any offence, contempt, trespassse, misdemeamor, matter, cause or querel suffered, done or committed by the, or any of the, which be not hereafter forpyssed, or excepted in thys present acte: and that all and euery the kynges sayd subiectes, & all & singuler bodyes corporate, and other before reherfed, maye by hym or them selfe, or by his or their deputie, or deputies, or by his or their attornei, or attorneys, accordyng to the lawes of thys Realme, pleade and minister thys present acte of fre Wardon, for hys or their discharge, of, and for euery thyng, that is by vertue of thys present acte pardoned, discharged, geue or graūted, without any fee or other thyng, in any wise payng to any person, or persons, for writyng or entrie of the iudgement, or other cause concerninge suche plea, writyng or entrie, but onely. xii. d. to be payd to the officier or clerke, that shall entre the plea, matter or iudgemente, for the discharge of any the partie so pleadyng thesame: any statute or vlie, to the contrary in any wyse notwithstandinge.

And furthermore, the kynges highnes is contented and pleased, that it be

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It be enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that his said free Pardon, by the general wordes before rehearsed, shalbe reputed, deemed and adiudged, allowed and taken, in all maner of courttes, and els where, aswell in the wordes and clauses of exceptions & forpyles specified in thys present acte, as in all and singuler other clauses, wordes and sententes, mencioned & rehearsed in this his sayd free Pardon, moost beneficially and auayelably, to all and singuler his sayd subiectes, bodies corporate, and other before rehearsed, and to euery of them in all thinges ambigious or doubtfull, and mooste strongly in Barre, and discharge agaynst his highnes, his heires, successors and executors in euery thing, without any obstacle, chalenge or other delaye, whatsoeuer it shalbe, to be made, pleded, objected, or alledged by the kyng our souereygne lord, his heires, successors, or executors, or by his or any of their generall attorneys, or attorneys, or by anye person, or persons, for his highnes or any of his heires, successors or executors.

And furthermore, it is enacted by the kyng our souereygne, by auctoritie of this present Parliament, that if any officer or clerke, of any of his highnes courttes, commonly called the kynges Benche, chauncery and common place, or of his exchequer, or anye other officer or clerke of any other court, within this Realme or in Wales, or other the kynges dominions aboue mencioned, at any tyme after the .xx. daye of January next commynge, which shalbe in the yere of oure lordes God, a. d. 1547. make out, or write out any maner writtes, or other processe, or any extractes, sommons or other preceptes, whereby anye of the sayd subiectes, or any of the said bodies corporate, or other before rehearsed, or any of the, shalbe in any wyse arrested, attached, distreyned, summoned, or otherwise vexed, inquyeted or greued in his or their bodies, landes, tenementes, gooddes, or cattalles, or in any of the, for, or because of any maner of thyng pardoned or discharged, by vertue of thys acte of free pardon, he so offendynge, & therof lesfully condempned, shal payde & pay for the recompence therof, to the partie so greued or offended treble damages, to be accompted, as percell of the dammages, and costes of the sute: and neuerthelesse all and singuler suche writtes, processe, extractes and preceptes so to be made, for, or upon any maner thyng pardoned or discharged, by thys present acte of fre pardon, shalbe utterly voyde, & of none effect.

Excepted alwayes and forpyled, out of this generall and free Pardon, all and all maner of high treasons, petit treason, and misprision of treason, done, committed, or perpetrated, in any of the partes beyonde the sea, and all and al maner of treason, done, or committed in any other place, by anye person, or persones, by anye ouert dede, whereby any bodely hurt or harme shal come, or be done to the kynges onely person, and all sutes, punishmentes, executions, forfayctures and penalties for, or by reason, or occasiō of any of the same treasons, before excepted.

And excepted all prepetred and voluntary murders, and also except all titles of actions, of quare impedir, all ranshmentes, and withholding of the kynges wardes, and wardes landes, and the profites of thesame, at any tyme growen to the kynges handes, or to any of his noble progenitors, and not yet discharged, al wastes of the kynges wooddes, aswel in parkes, foresses, chales, & els where: & al summes of money graunted or promised to be payed, by waye or meane of beneuolence or contribucio, not payed and contented: and all and singuler debtes, other then debtes growen vpon recognisaunces, beyng already forfaited, for suerty of p peace, good abearyng, or for none apparafice at any daye or place. And excepted and forpyssed out of this Pardon, all maner of accomptes, and all accions, lutes and impetitions for thesame, and all arerages of accomptes and debtes, due for thesame. And also, excepted all homages, lyuerys & relieves, rentes, seruices and arerages of thesame, not done or not payed. And also excepted al debtes, which were due to the kynges highnes, or to the sayd late kyng of famous memoie, kyng Henry the viii. or to the late kyng Henry the. vii. or to any person, or persons, to p vse of the kyng our souereygne lord, or of his sayd father, or kyng Henry the. vii. by any condemnation, recognisaunce, obligacio, or otherwise. And also, excepted al and singuler forfaitures, beyng due to our soueraigne lord the kyng, or to the sayd late kyng, by any penall statute or statutes, which be conuerted into the nature of debte, by iudgement, or by agreement of the offendor, and al forfaitures, and other penalties, & profites, growen, or due by reason of any offence, or acte, committed, or done, contrary to any statute or statutes, or contrary to the cōmon lawe wherof any leaseure is made, or any information is geuen in the kynges Exchequer, or any sute there commenced, and now depending, and not yet determined: Or wherof the kynges highnes, or his sayde father, by byll assigned, or otherwise, haue made any gift or assignemēt, to any of p seruauntes, of our sayde souereygne lord the kyng, or of his sayd father or to any other person, or persons.

Also, except and forpyssed out of this fre Pardon, all and al maner of forgyng, counterfeiting, washyng and clippinge of whatsoeuer money or coyne, currant in this realme, and the bringinge into this realme, of any false or counterfeyt money or coyne, made, forged or counterfeyt out of this realme, and the uttering of any suche false, or counterfeyt money or coyne, had, made, done, or perpetrated sithen the. xxvii. daye of January last past, and all and all maner of offences, impetitions, punishmentes, forfeitures, paynes of death, iudgementes & execution for thesame. And also, except and forpyssed out of this fre Pardon, all and singuler synes to be had, made or payed, by reason or meane of any alienacion, had or made of any manors, lodes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes without licence, sithen the sayd. xxvii. daye of January. Also, except and forpyssed out of this fre Pardon, all and all maner of Whanslaughters, Burgularies,

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Burgularies, Robbetries of any person, or persons, in any house, or nere any high waye, and wilfull burnynge of houses, and wilfull burnynge of Barnes, in which Barnes any coine was, at þ tyme of such burning: and all maner of rauishmentes of any woman, agaynst her will, all felonious takynge of any money or gooddes, out of any Church or Chappell, all and almaner of felonious takynge of any Horse, Geldyng, or Mare, and all maner of Pyracies and offences vpon the sea, had, done, committed, or perpetrated, sithen the first day of August last past: And all maner of punishmentes, impetitions, forseitures, peynes of deathe, iudgementes, and execucions for thesame. And except and forprised out of this fre Pardon, all and all maner of intrusions, had, made or done, sithen þ sayd. xxvii. day of January last past. And except & forprised out of this fre Pardon, all & al maner of deceiptes and offences, of all and singuler Honeymers, and other officers, ministers and workemen, of, or in any of the Wyntes, within this Realme, and all impetitions and punishmentes for thesame. And except & forprised out of this fre Pardon, all and all maner of decaying of any messuage, cotage or house, and the conuertynge of landes from tpyllage vnto pasture, contrary to any statute heretofore had or made. And except and forprised the issues, reuenues & pproffites of al and singuler suche messuages, cotages, houses, and landes, comynge, arising or growing, sithen the sayd. xxvii. day of January last past. And except and forprised out of this fre Pardon, all and singuler collectors, and collector of any subsidy, sistene, beneuolence or contribution, and other persons, whatsoeuer that ought to be accomptant, and the heyres, executors and administrators of euery of them, of, for, & concernynge all maner of debtes, accomptes & arerages of accomptes, and all maner of concelementes of customes and subsidies, and al maner of impetitions, and lutes for thesame. And except and forprised out of this fre Pardon, all and singuler persons and person, beyng the seconde daye of Decēber, in the yere of our lord God. M. CCCC. xlviij. prisoners, or prisoner, in the Courte of London, and all and singuler persons and person, which at any tyme befoze thesame second day of Decēber, did flye out of this Realme, into þ parties beyōd the sea, for any treason or misprision of treason. And except and forprised out of this free Pardon all issues, fynes & amerciamentes assessed, taxed, set, extracted, or entred seuerally, or particularly, extēding to the summe of. C. Shillinges, or aboue. And that all, and singuler other fynes, aswell fynes pro licentia concordandi, as other, and all other issues and amerciamentes, aswell real as other, which seuerally or particularly extēd not to thesame summe of. C. s. whether thei be totted or not totted, taken to the charge of the Shyrie, or not taken to hys charge, extracted, or not extracted, whether they be turned into debt, or not into debt, and not beyng leuied nor receaued by any Shyrie, or Shyries, Bailife, mynisters, or other officers, shalbe fully, clerely, & plainly pardoned, and discharged

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agaynst the kynge our soueraigne lord, his heires and successors, for ever, by this present acte of fre pardon.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that in case it be objected to, or agaynst any Schyrie, or Shyries, or other accoptantes in the kynges court of Eschequer, or in any other his court, that any Schyrie, or Shyries, or other officers accomptaunt, haue receaued or taken any such fines, issues or amerciamentes, by this present acte pardoned & acquyted: that then every suche Schyrie & Shyries, & other accomptantes shalbe discharged, released, pardoned & acquyted thereof by his or their othe, without any further tryall in that behalfe.

Provided allwape, that this present acte of fre pardon, nor any thing therein conteyned, in any wyse extend to discharge, remit, or acqyte any person or persons, for any suche issues, fines or amerciamentes of one hundred shillinges, or vnder, as any Schyrie heretofore haue accompted before the Barons, of the kynges Eschequer, or els where, & payed thesame Issues, fines, and amerciamentes, vpon his or their sayde accompt, determynd to the kynges vse, and hath his or their Quictus est, for thesame.

Provided allwape, and be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that all and every person and persons, which haue tēded, or ought to sue livery out of the kynges hādes, of any Mannours, landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, whatsoeuer they be, shall sue his or their livery and liuetys, out of the kinges hādes, of his or their Mannours, landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, any article, acte, or actes thynge or thynges, in this present acte of generall and fre pardon, comprised and specified to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided allwapes, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that it shalbe lefull, to all and every clerke, and other officier of any of the kynges court, to awarde and make writtes of Capias vilagarum, at the sute of the partie pleyntive, to the entent to compell the defendaunt and defendantes, to make answer to the pleyntive, at whose sute he was outlawed. And that every person, now beyng outlawed, shall sue a writte of Scire facias, against the partie, or parties, at whose sute he was outlawed, before this pardon in that behalfe, shalbe allowed to him, that so is outlawed.

God save the Kynge.

*Excusum Londini, in ædibus Richardi Graftoni
Regij Impressoris.*



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Anno domini. M.D.XLVIII.*

